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Pittsfield's Paul Metallo drafted by Kansas City

"Happy? You better believe I am."

That was the reaction of Pittsfield's Paul Metallo yesterday afternoon to the news that he had been drafted in the 13th round of the National Football League's collegiate draft by the Kansas City Chiefs. Metallo, star running back for the University of Massachusetts, is the first Pittsfield boy ever drafted by an NFL team.

"No, I haven't heard from the Chiefs as yet," Metallo said. "But it's official. I'm there. And I'm glad it was with a rebuilding team like Kansas City."

Metallo said he was notified by telephone at his home, 101 Lyman St., by Bob Harris, defensive line coach at Massachusetts. "The Chiefs had called the school," he said.

Metallo, a senior, has said all along he would welcome a chance to play pro football. He has been listed as a defensive back, and probably will be tried by the Chiefs as a safety man. It is figured his speed could be used in such an assignment.

Russo to head business solicitation for heart fund

Louis J. Russo of 131 Ridgeway Ave., a board member of the Berkshire County Heart Association, has been named to head a special business solicitation drive for the association. The drive, known as Heart Days-for-Business, will be conducted throughout the month.

Russo, a GE employee, is active in community and youth activities and has served as chairman of the county Heart Association.

He will be assisted in the drive by local members of the Life Underwriters' Association. They will visit downtown business offices, stores, professional building and shopping centers to receive contributions.

Atty. Kearons J. Whalen, fund chairman, who appointed Russo to head the drive, said the heart fund campaign will reach its climax during the weekend of Feb. 25 when 2,000 volunteers will visit neighborhoods for contributions.

Babe Ruth loop meets tomorrow

The Pittsfield Babe Ruth Baseball League has scheduled a meeting for tomorrow night at 7:30 at Springside House. Members of the board of directors and coaches should attend. Any persons interested in becoming coaches will be welcome at the meeting.

Rumors say Russo may run for mayor

Reports are circulating here that Louis J. Russo may run for mayor.

Queried about the speculation, Russo said yesterday that he has been asked to run by several supporters. "But as of this time," he said, "I haven't given it any serious consideration."

Russo is a member of the Board of Registrars of Voters and a former member of the city Park Commission. He campaigned actively for Mayor Butler.

Announced candidates for Butler's job—he is not seeking a fourth term—are Council President John F. Fraser, Councilman Roy F. Brown and municipal union leader Howard K. Rear-

Ruth League is accepting registrations

Registration of candidates for the two Pittsfield Babe Ruth League divisions is being accepted at the Department of Parks and Recreation, 874 North St., it was announced by Louis Russo, league president. Tryouts will be conducted next Saturday, April 28, at 10 a.m. and Monday, April 30, through Friday, May 4, at the Common and Deming field.

Seventy-two candidates are needed for the season. Selection of players will be made May 4, after the tryouts are completed.

Boys born prior to Aug. 1, 1960, and on or after Aug. 1, 1957, will be eligible. Boundaries for the National Division, which will hold its tryouts at Deming, will be those used for the West and South Little Leagues. The American Division will try out at the Common. Boys living in the North and East Little League sections will be in that division.

Russo announced that all boys are welcome to register whether they played Little League baseball or not. Candidates must attend two-thirds of the tryouts to be eligible for selection.

The annual season ticket sale will be conducted Sunday, May 20. The season will open Saturday, June 2, at 1 p.m. at Wahconah Park.

A registration coupon appears in today's sports section of The Berkshire Eagle. Further information may be obtained from the Park Department office.

Youth baseball league leaders on TV program

Adult leaders of the city's youth baseball programs will be the guests on Sam Levine's television sports program tonight at 8 on Channel 2. They are Babe Ruth League president Louis Russo, Paul Brindle League president Doug LaBarbera, Pittsfield Minor League president Virgil Chochon and West Little League president Bill Harrington, who will represent Fran McDonald, president of the Pittsfield Little League.

The presidents will explain the operations of their leagues. Levine will report on the Berkshire Hills Conference northern and southern division races and other high school sports in the county. The program will be shown again tomorrow morning at 10.

Tomorrow night at 6 Levine will have a special three-hour show for the benefit of the Pittsfield High Western Massachusetts champion basketball team. Guests will be cheerleaders, and parents of the Pittsfield High players and athletes, who participate in many of the sports presented in the city.

Ruth league selects 73 new players

Seventy-three new players were selected by the Pittsfield Babe Ruth leagues to fill out team rosters for the season. Three 15-year-old and 70 13-year-old boys were chosen. Each team will have 15 players, five 15-year olds, five 14-year-olds and five 13-year-olds.

Players selected were as follows:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

General Electric — Greg Gagliardi, Norm Breault, Steve Daury, Tom Sullivan, Mike Gross, Chip Russo, Bob Kelly.

Adams Super Markets—Scott White, Mike Flynn, Dave Hiser, Vin Barbarotta, Paul McKeever.

VFW Post 448—Tim Rocca, Mike Sanginetti, Don Pero, Jerry DiNicola, Bob Avale.

Western Mass. Supply—Mike Plankey, Ed Bertoldi, Paul Curley, Matt Knight, John Vuille-

mot. IUE Local 254—Mike Ostrikis, Mark Jester, Chris Keegan, Ron Navroski, Walt McGovern.

Besse-Clarke—Charlie Nichols, Mike Porter, Tom DiNicola, Mike Belair, Jay Ely.

Comet Jewelers—Scott Bishop, Dan Phillips, John Austin, Bill Schneider, Chris Aitken.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

GEAA—Mike Ryan, Frank Pelkey, Paul Dondi, Dale Harrington, Tim Colbert.

Irish-American Club—Tom Lussier, John Sokolowski, Ed Filiault, Barry Benham, Mark Mancivalano.

IUE Local 255—Paul Jamross, Ralph Gardner, Tom Bowler, Chris Giardina, Paul Puskey.

ITAM Lodge—Mitch Wood, Bob Mahoney, Rick Taikowski, Jody DiMassimo, Mike Kellogg.

Lipton Oil—Mark Litano, Jeff Altman, Paul Gregory, Bob DiOrto, John Ryan.

O'Connell Cadillac-Olds—John Shreenan, Steve Valle, Shane McColligan, Steve Connally, Steve Durkee.

Union Federal—Chris Ditmar, Tom Arpante, Scott Nugai, Mike Frawley, Dave Moran, Bryan King.

League president Louis Russo had charge of the player draft. The league will start play Saturday, June 2.

Babe Ruth League slates its ticket sale tomorrow

The Pittsfield Babe Ruth Baseball League will have its annual door-to-door sale of season tickets tomorrow, president Louis Russo has announced. Players in uniform will be the salesmen.

The American League players will meet at 10 tomorrow morning on the Common. The National League players will meet at the same hour at Deming Field.

League officials are hoping that parents with cars will be at the meeting places as the more transportation there is available, the better the entire city can be canvassed.

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Clinic slated for Babe Ruth League umpires

A clinic for umpires who plan to work in the Babe Ruth League this summer will be conducted by the Parks and Recreation Department tomorrow night at 7:30 at the field house at the Common. Umpire-in-chief Joe Harrison will have charge of the clinic.

Persons wishing to become umpires but who have not signed up yet will be welcome and may register tomorrow.

Ruth Leaguers sell \$1,850 in tickets

A total of \$1,850 was raised yesterday in a door-to-door sale of season tickets to Babe Ruth Baseball League games, President Louis Russo announced this morning. He said that was slightly below last year's figures, but added that all returns are not yet in.

Russo expressed gratitude to the fathers of players who were collecting. He said without their help the drive would not have gone as well as it did.

Pittsfield Babe Ruth Baseball League — 1973 Registration Coupon —

PLEASE PRINT

1. Name Age

2. Birthdate: Month Day Year.....

3. Address Phone

4. Did you play Little League baseball?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Check one

5. What Little League? North ☐ South ☐

East ☐ West ☐ Check one

When you have filled out this coupon put in an envelope and mail to:

Pittsfield Babe Ruth League Registration
Parks and Recreation Dept.
874 North St., Pittsfield

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DEMONSTRATING one of the lexan batting helmets given by the General Electric Co. to the Babe Ruth League is Chip Russo, son of BRL president Louis Russo. Also in the picture are Bob Kelly, a teammate of Chip

on the GE team of the Ruth League. Shown next to the older Russo is former Pittsfield High and RPI star athlete Art Delusky, who, as plastics section market development engineer, conducted tests on the helmets.

GE gives batting helmets to Ruth and Little leagues

Forty Lexan batting helmets have been donated by the General Electric Co. to the Pittsfield Babe Ruth League, which will give some to the Little League. Technology and experimentation with Lexan products is conducted in Pittsfield, headquarters

for all GE plastics.

Former Pittsfield High and RPI basketball and track standout Art Delusky, plastics market development section engineer, conducted a test, firing an aluminum projectile at 250 miles an hour into a facsimile batting helmet. The helmet naturally was dented, but there was no breakthrough.

Louis Russo, president of the Babe Ruth League, is a long-time GE employee. Assisting him in procurement of the helmets were former Pittsfield High athlete Donald Debacher, manager of the Lexan products section; Joseph Isabel, father of Pittsfield High athletes Tim and Mike and manager of finance and planning in the plastics section, and Bill Victor, former Babe Ruth League pitcher.

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Babe Ruth loop main topic on TV sports show

The coming Pittsfield Babe Ruth League season will be the main topic under discussion on Sam Levine's Channel 2 television sports show tonight at 8. Guests will be Art Gwinnell, league executive manager; and Bing Miller, Don Powers and Fran Woodin, team managers of Comet Jewelers, Besse-Clarke and Western Mass. Supply, respectively, all of the American League.

Gwinnell will talk about his duties, and the three team managers will report on their squads and prospects. The league will open Saturday at 1:30 with a doubleheader at Wahconah Park.

Cohost Mark Levine will report on Berkshire County high school sports.

Mayor Butler readies arm for city Babe Ruth opener

The Pittsfield Babe Ruth League will open its 21st season with a doubleheader at Wahconah Park Saturday afternoon starting at 1.

Mayor Donald Butler will throw out the first ball with John Curletti, chairman of the Park Commission doing the catching. The Color Guard from VFW Post 448 will be in charge of the flag raising.

In the opener, coach Fran Woodin's Western Mass Supply team, playing Adams super Markets, will try to get off on the right foot in quest of a third straight league championship. The grocery men finished second in the American Division last year.

Paul Stockley, 5-3 last year, will start on the mound for the defending champs. Tim Synder, 3-0 last season, is coach Jerry DiCicco's choice to pitch for Adams. Tom Baunens is the assistant coach to Woodin while DiCicco is aided by Bill Larkin and Rick Goyette.

WESTERN MASS. SUPPLY		ADAMS SUPER MARKETS	
Cronin, lf	.105	Heaphy, lf	.118
Shea, cf	.214	J. Flynn, 2b	.150
Stockley, p	.227	R. Flynn, cf	.293
Monterosso, 1b	.300	Brooker, ss	.257
Greenleaf, ss	.050	Burt, 3b	.217
Lyonski, 3b	.167	Barbarotta, c	.200
Bell, 2b	.188	Snyder, p	.091
Anderson, c	.143	Carr, rf	.000
Milesi, rf	.182	Davine, 1b	.056

GEAA CLUB		IRISH-AMERICAN CLUB	
Horne, cf	—	Brown, p	.271
Ryan, c	.190	Doucette, 3b	.143
Sinico, 3b	.289	Barliff, c	.205
DiNicola, ss	.250	Turner, ss	.125
O'Leary, 1b	.211	Kowalczyk, lf	.238
Harrington, lf	.105	Benham, 2b	—
Gagne, p	.000	Lussier, cf	—
LaBarbera, 2b	.222	Buchinski, 1b	—
Maffeo, rf	—	Godfrey, rf	—

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Rick Lisi

Russ Quetti

Lisi, Quetti are elected PHS basketball cocaptains

Rick Lisi and Russ Quetti, outstanding all-around athletes at Pittsfield High, have been elected to lead the school's basketball team next winter. Both are juniors in the college preparatory course.

Lisi was on the basketball, baseball and football teams his sophomore and junior years. He will be a cocaptain of the football squad in the fall. He is involved in the Pittsfield High school drug program, which sends high school students into the

elementary schools to talk to the children there. He also is affiliated with the Big Brother organization.

Quetti had been a varsity basketball and baseball player for two seasons and was on the football squad his sophomore year. He also is taking part in the PHS drug program.

Lisi is the son of Mrs. Daisy Parsons of 178 Appleton Ave. Quetti's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Russell Quetti of 109 Sunset St.

JUN 5 1973

Two close games mark BR leagues

564 and 254 are winning numbers in baseball tilts

Itam Lodge 564 showed lightning speed and superior base stealing as it nipped IUE Local 255 by a 5-4 score in Babe Ruth National League action last night at Deming Field.

Tom Farrell earned the win for the 564s but needed help from left-hander Frank Peplowski midway through the fifth inning. John Coug took the loss for IUE, giving up only two hits but yielding 11 bases on balls.

Hitting stars for the winners were Mark Mangano and rookie Mitch Wood, who each laced a long triple. For the union squad, Steve Gardner knocked out three of his team's seven hits.

In the American Division of the Babe Ruth League, IUE Local 254 edged Besse-Clarke 2-1 at North Junior High in an exciting seven-inning pitching duel between IUE's Danny Broderick and Besse's Timmy Carroll.

Deadlocked 0-0 after six innings, IUE struck for two runs in the top of the seventh and final frame on a two-out double by Bobby Loehr that brought in two runs. Besse tried to bounce back in the bottom half, cutting the Local lead to 2-1 on two walks, three stolen bases and an infield out, but the game ended with the tying run stranded at third base.

In the National Division, Lipton Oil plays O'Connell Cadillac tonight at 6 at Deming.

JUN 6 1973

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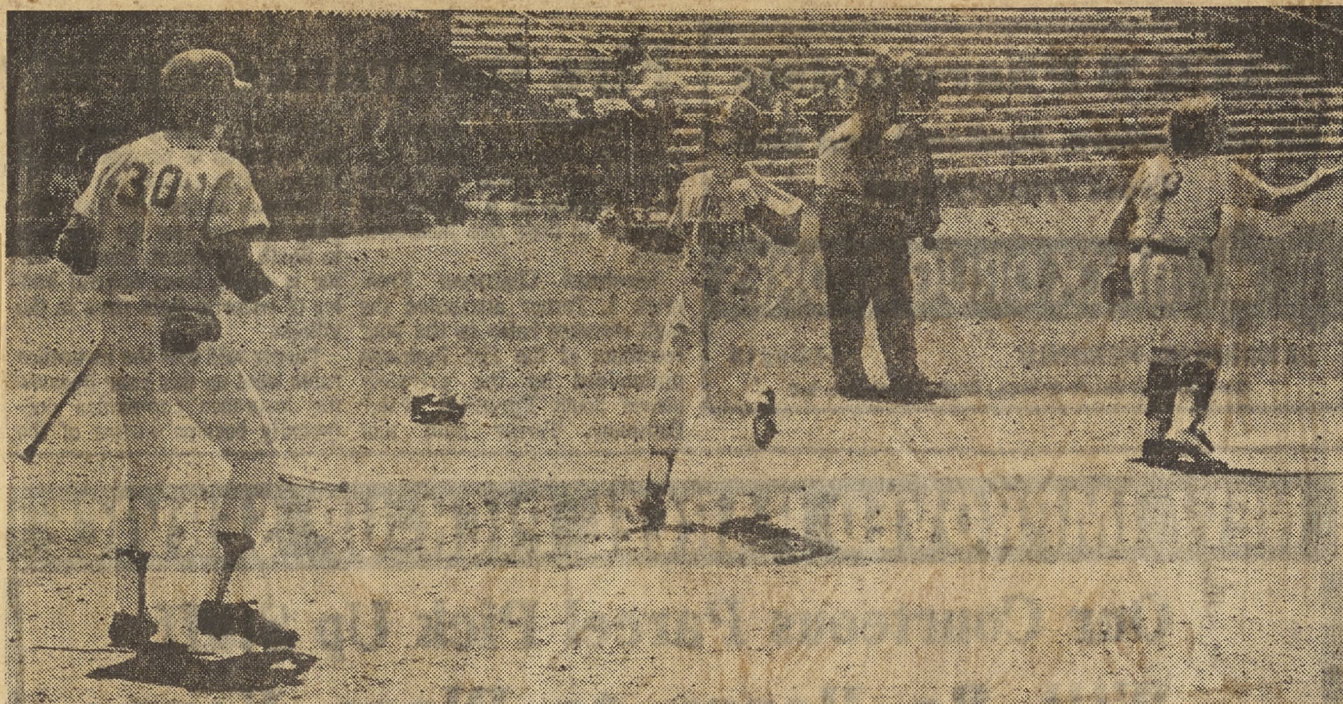
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JUN 4 1973



SCORING RUN for Adams Super Markets is Bill Heaphy in Babe Ruth League opener Saturday at Wahconah Park. Adams defeated Western Massachusetts

Supply 2-0. On deck batter is Mark Brouker. Catcher is John Anderson. Umpire is Vin Zito. Both of the inaugural games resulted in shutouts

Babe Ruth League openers both result in shutouts

Both of the Babe Ruth Baseball League openers at Wahconah Park Saturday afternoon resulted in shutouts. The GEAA defeated the Irish-Americans, 4-0 in the National League, and Adams Super Markets won from Western Massachusetts Supply, 2-0, in the American League.

Timmy Snyder of Adams Super Markets outdueled Paul Stockley. Snyder gave up a first-inning triple, and held Western Massachusetts Supply hitless the rest of the way. He also received excellent support from his mates.

Snyder had two hits for the winners. Stockley had the sole safety off his mound rival.

Pete Gagne of the GEAA threw a two-hitter. Gagne gave up only three walks while fanning six.

Pete Brown was charged with the loss. He gave up two earned runs on three hits and two bases on balls and fanned eight.

Hitting stars for GEAA were Dave DiNicola, with two hits, including a double, and Paul Daley, with a two-run single in the fourth inning.

The defensive standout was GEAA third baseman Tony Sinico, who played flawlessly at his position.

Ham Lodge will oppose IUE Local 255 tonight at 6 at Deming Field.

The scores:

GEAA	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Ryan, c	2	1	0	8	2	0
Horne, cf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Sinico, 3b	3	1	0	2	3	0
DiNicola, ss	3	1	2	1	3	0
O'Leary, rf	1	1	0	0	0	0
xDal. Harrington	0	0	0	0	0	0
Mateo, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Dar. Harrington, lf	3	0	1	10	1	1
Daley, 1b	3	0	0	0	3	0
Gagne, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Messana, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
LaBarbera, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
xxPelkey	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dondi, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	23	4	4	21	12	1

IRISH AMERICANS	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Brown, p, cf	3	0	0	0	2	0
Doucette, 3b	3	0	0	0	0	0
Bartlett, c, 1b	3	0	0	12	0	0
Turner, ss	3	0	1	0	3	1
Kowalczyk, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Lussier, cf, p	2	0	0	0	1	0
Buchinski, 1b	1	0	0	0	3	0
Peterson, c	1	0	0	2	0	0
Benham, 2b	1	0	0	1	0	0
xGodfrey	1	0	0	0	0	0
Hine, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Sokolowski, rf	1	0	1	0	0	0
Filiault, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	0	2	18	6	3

1—Struck out for O'Leary in 5th.
xx—Struck out for LaBarbera in 6th.
2—Grounded out for Benham in 5th.

GEAA 000 230 x-1
IRISH-AMERICAN CLUB 000 000 0-0

DP—Daley, Ryan, Sinico; LOB—Gee 5, Irish American Club 6; RBI—Daley 2, DiNicola; 2b—DiNicola; SB—Horne 2, DiNicola, O'Leary; Lussier; S—Horne

Gagne (W) 1-0	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
Brown (L) 0-1	7	2	0	0	3	6
Lussier	3 1/3	3	2	2	2	8
	2 2/3	1	2	1	1	5

HPB—By Gagne (Buchinski)
BALK—Gagne 2
WP—Gagne, Brown, Lussier
PB—Ryan, Bartlett
Time: 2 hours, 15 minutes.
Umpires: Ed Ladley and Al Bianchi

Adams Mkt.	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Heaphy, lf	2	1	1	2	0	0
Burt, 3b	4	0	1	2	3	0
R. Flynn, cf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Brouker, ss	3	0	0	2	1	0
Barbarotta, c	3	0	0	7	0	0
J. Flynn, 2b	3	0	0	2	0	1
Carr, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Snyder, p	3	0	2	0	2	0
Davine, 1b	1	1	0	5	1	0
Totals	25	2	5	21	7	1

W.M. Supply	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Bertoldi, rf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Curley, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Cronin, lf	3	0	0	0	0	1
Stockley, p	3	0	1	2	3	0
Monterosso, 1b	2	0	0	7	0	0
Greenleaf, ss	1	0	0	3	1	0
Lyonski, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	0
Shea, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Bell, 2b	2	0	0	1	2	0
Anderson, c	1	0	0	8	0	0
Totals	21	0	1	21	7	1

Adams Mkts. 100 010 0-2
W.M. Supply 000 000 0-0

DP—Davine to Brouker; Stockley to Monterosso; LOB—Adams—6; WMS—6; RBI—Burt; 3b—Stockley; ss—Monterosso; Davine, Heaphy, R. Flynn; s—Anderson, Davine.

Snyder (W) 1-0	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
Stockley (L) 0-1	7	1	0	0	5	6
	7	5	2	2	3	7

Time—1 hour, 25 minutes; WP—Stockley; Umpires—Zito and Kearns.

JUN 7 1973

Lyonski 4-hits GE in 7-4 win

Western Mass. Supply, behind the 4-hit, 12 strike-out pitching of Paul Lyonski, outlasted General Electric, 7-4, in a Babe Ruth American Division game interrupted by rain and called because of darkness after six innings.

Six of the seven Supply runs were scored without a hit. In all, the Suppliers received 12 walks, two hit batsmen and three errors. They had only three hits all night. Paul Stockley and Chip Russo had two singles each for the GE club. Russo also knocked in three runs.

Tomorrow night Besse-Clarke plays Adams Super Markets at 6 at the North Junior High field.

JUN 9 1973

IUE 254, IUE 255 win BR play

Comet Jewelers, Lipton Oil lose, 13-4, 13-12

IUE 254 won their second game of the year, 13-4 over Comet Jewelers in American Babe Ruth League action yesterday, while IUE Local 255 defeated Lipton Oil with a come-from-behind seventh inning rally, 13-12, in National Babe Ruth League activity at Deming Park.

The Local 254 men scored 11 runs in the first inning, banging out six hits and combining them with three walks and six Comet errors. In all, 16 men went to the plate.

Winning pitcher Gary Barcher had two singles for the winners, and Danny Broderick drove in four of the seventh.

Mike Gingras and Joe Murphy had two hits apiece for Comets. Wayne Murphy struck out eight men in three innings of relief for the losers.

Lengthy slugfest

In the Local 255-Lipton contest, 23 hits and 9 errors were tallied in 2 hours, 25 minutes of play. Dave Kowalczyk crossed the plate on Mark Viale's shot that eluded third baseman John Stinson with one out in the bottom of the seventh.

The game was a slugfest, with three home runs and 19 RBIs. Kowalczyk, with four hits, was batting star for the Unioneers. Viale also helped the cause for Local 255 with two safeties, while Kevin Coakley had a home run.

For the losers, first-year sensation Paul Gregory had three hits in four trips to the plate, including a round-tripper. Stinson's hot bat accounted for three singles, while Jeff Altman and Mark Litano had two each, including a homer for Litano.

Relief pitcher Ray Meandro earned the victory, after coming in to ease Lipton's Power off starter Paul Jamross. Fred Rivelli, who came in to pitch for Altman in the third, suffered the loss.

GEAA and Union Federal tangle at 10 a.m. today, while General Electric and VFW meet at 6 p.m. Monday.

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JUN 8 1973

James loses to Joseph's

Dick Joseph's Auto Body knocked over James Jewelers last night and got away with a 12-10 victory in the American Division of the City Slow-Pitch Softball League. It was the first defeat of the season for the Jewelers, who lead the league with a 5-1 record.

In other league play, the Eagle Cafe defeated Berkshire Common 10-4 and Shedd Plumbing stopped up Fenn & Fourth Cafe 5-1.

Despite the fact that five James Jewelers players had two hits apiece and that one of their number, Al Belanger, who moonlights as head baseball coach at St. Joseph's High, hit a home run, they could not overcome Joseph's seven-run fifth inning. Jim Bridges paced the winners with three hits.

The opening contest of the night featured Shedd's win over Fenn & Fourth, in which the Cafe people could only manage two hits. The Plumbers banged out 11 safeties.

In the third game, Kansas City Chiefs draftee Paul Metallo clobbered a homer to lead the Eagle Cafe over Berkshire Common. He had three hits on the night along with teammate Bob Chinier.

In tonight's softball, the Water Department plays Del Gallo's Restaurant at 6:30 and again at 8:30, and Fenn & Fourth engages New England Telephone at 7:30.

JUN 12 1973
**Shedd soaks
up H2Os in
overtime**

The Water Department struck for nine runs in the first inning but Shedd Plumbing came back for nine markers of its own in the seventh and ninth frames, as the Plumbers stopped the Aquamen in extra innings, 21-18.

The city slow-pitch softball outing was highlighted by 28 Shedd hits, a season high for the league, and 19 safeties for the H2O squad. Wayne Mickle was the top offensive player in the game clouting two home runs in the losing Water effort. He was joined in the four-bagger parade by teammates Denny Duquette and Denny Strizzi. Jerry Chiaffre led the way for the Plumbers with five hits.

In other CSPSL action, O'Connell Cadillac dealt Del Gallo's Restaurant its third defeat in two nights with an 8-7 decision, and Rogers Jewelers held the Falstaff Brewers to one run in a 4-1 victory.

The Cadillacs were trailing the Restaurant men, 7-6, going into the bottom of the ninth inning but rallied for two scores to pull it out. Mike Spilman and Tony Pastore had three hits apiece for the winners; Don Hover had three for Del Gallo's.

Compared to the 54 runs scored in the other two games, the Rogers win over the Brewers was a tame affair. Bill George paced the winners with three hits, and John Cody accounted for the lone Falstaff tally with a home run.

Tonight's slate at Lakewood Field includes Arace's Datsun tangling with Joseph's Auto Body at 6:30, Rogers dueling the Eagle Cafe at 7:30, and the Cadillacs meeting the New England Telephones at 8:30.

JUN 18 1973
**GE defeats
Post 448 in
Babe Ruth**

In a Babe Ruth American League game at North Junior High Saturday morning, General Electric parlayed eight hits, 13 walks and six opposition errors into a 15-6 win over VFW Post 448.

Bill Gregory and Steve Daury each had a double and a single to lead the winners. Gregory had four runs batted in, while Daury accounted for two. Mike Anello pitched all the way for GE, allowing nine hits and six walks while striking out 10.

Mike LaRochelle reached base all four times he came to bat for the losers, walking twice and collecting a single and a home run. Doug Stetson had two hits, including a triple, and Jack Quinn had two singles. Quinn was the starting and losing pitcher for Post 448.

Tonight, IUE Local 254 will play General Electric.

JUN 16 1973

**Itam, Besse Clark win
last night's BR contests**

Itam Lodge 564 whipped O'Connell Cadillac and Olds, 12-7, in an error-laden game, and Besse Clark hammered VFW, 16-0, last night in a game which had to be called after only five innings because of the 15-run rule in Babe Ruth League baseball last night.

Besse's unleashed a 15-hit attack which was led by the bat of Dave Petruzella, who had two doubles, a triple, and four RBIs. Ricky Pearce followed close behind with two singles, a triple, and two RBIs. Timmy Carroll scattered five hits and struck out five.

Jackie Quinn paced VFW with a double.

Winning pitcher Tom Farrell went the distance for ITAM, giving up five hits, seven earned runs, and 14 bases on balls, and retiring three batters on strikes.

Losing pitcher Jeff Lane went the first six innings for the Cadillacs, giving up six hits, three earned runs, and two walks, while striking out three. Dave Houle came in to pitch and allowed three hits, one run, and six bases on balls, and earned two strikeouts.

Leading Itam in hits was Jim Flynn with two; eight others

had base hits, including Steve Sweeney's triple. For O'Connell's, five different men led with the bat for their five hits.

Sweeney also shone in the field, with eight assists and three putouts, without an error.

Union Federal clipped Lipton Oil, 5-4, and Comet's Jewelers downed GE, 11-1, in Babe Ruth League action Thursday night.

In a pitchers' duel at Deming Park, Federal broke a 4-4 deadlock in the seventh with a single by Rick Arpante with one out and Bob Turner on first base. The ball got by Lipton left-fielder Phil LeClair, permitting Turner to score.

Mike Quodrozzi earned the win, giving up four hits and one earned run while striking out 12 and walking two. Jim Pelkey took the loss, going the distance and giving up three hits and four earned runs. Pelkey permitted seven bases on balls and eight strikeouts.

Federal sluggers

Swinging heavy bats for the winners were Quodrozzi, Arpante, and Tom Castanga, each with one hit. Quodrozzi's a double. For the losers, Jeff Altman had two hits, and Jay Murphy and Pelkey each had safeties.

Joe Murphy hit and pitched Comet's to victory. He was three for five at the plate, with two singles and a triple, driving in two runs. He also scattered four hits and struck out 13 batters in going the route on the mound. Billy Schneider chipped in with two singles in two at-bats.

For GE, Pete O'Brien had two hits and their only RBI.

In contests scheduled for today, VFW faces GE in a make-up American League game at North Junior High at 10 a.m. while the National League plays a doubleheader, Union Federal meeting O'Connell Cadillac at 10 a.m., and GEAA and Itam at 12:30 p.m.

**Lipton Oil,
Supplymen
in BRL wins**

**GEAA loses 1st,
Comet's drops an
11-inning game**

Lipton Oil handed GEAA its first loss, and Western Mass. Supply edged Comet Jewelers in an 11-inning thriller in Babe Ruth League action last night. The margins were Lipton's 5-1 and WMS 2-1.

Jim Pelkey allowed six hits and struck out a like number, and Paul Gregory rapped a three-run triple for the Oilers. John Stinson added a triple and single and Mark Bushey a double. Thirteen-year-old Mike Ryan of the losing team had two more hits to raise his average to .538. Pete Gagne had a double for GEAA.

John Vuillemot's line single to left-center scored Paul Lysonski from second with the winning run in the American League game at North field. Lysonski also picked up the win in relief of Paul Stockley, who had smothered the Jewelers' offense through 10 innings. Joe and Wayne Murphy divided the pitching chores for Comet's, with Wayne getting the loss.

Tonight's games match the Irish-American Club and O'Connell Cadillac at Deming Field, and Adams Super Markets and VFW Post 448 at North.

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SIGNING A CONTRACT to play baseball with the Detroit Tigers' organization is St. Joseph's High right-hander Billy Madden. Looking on, left to right, are Tiger scout Joe Cusick, who signed the Crusader ace, and Mr. and Mrs. William Madden. Contract terms were not divulged but were expected to include a modest bonus and incentive bonuses in addition to regular salary. Madden will leave tomorrow for Bristol, Va., to join the Tigers Appalachian Rookie League team. Signing took place yesterday afternoon at Madden's home, 427 Tyler St.

**IUE 254, Union Federal
win Babe Ruth contests**

IUE 254 edged GE, 2-1, in a Babe Ruth League game at North Junior High field last night as Mike Ostrikis and Ron Navroski combined on a five-hitter.

Ostrikis picked up the win by hurling the last four innings and allowing four hits and one run. Navroski went the first three giving up just one hit. They were backed by errorless defense and two double plays.

Losing pitcher Pete O'Brien gave up just three hits and fanned eight. The winning run was unearned. Steve Supranowica of the losers was the only player with two hits.

At Deming Field Union Federal defeated IUE 255 by a 10-7 score in a National League game. Jim Farr was the winning pitcher with relief help from Mike Quodrozzi. Bob Turner and Quodrozzi had two hits each.

IUE's Dick Kowalczyk had three hits. Paul Jamross was the losing pitcher.

Third straight win

GEAA scored its third straight win by blasting Itam Lodge, 27-15, second-place Irish-American Club edged IUE Local 255 by a 4-2 score, and O'Connell Cadillac nipped Union Federal 9-8 in a Babe Ruth National League tripleheader Saturday at Deming Field.

Mike Ryan, who picked up the win in relief, led GEAA at bat with four hits and five RBIs. Dave DiNicola, Paul Daley, Bob Horne, Kevin O'Leary and Darryl Harrington had two hits each. Mark Mangano had four

JUN 19 1973

Thursday, June 21, 1973—11

O'Connell's, Adams are BRL victors

O'Connell Cadillac nipped the Irish-American Club 6-5 and Adams Super Markets downed VFW 12-3 in Babe Ruth League games last night.

Pat Seckler picked up his second win without a loss, holding the Irish-Americans to three hits. A five-run third, highlighted by Jim Burns's two-run homer and Pete Harrington's two-run single, was the big inning for O'Connell's. Steve Hine had two of the hits for the Irish, one a triple.

Adams pounded 13 singles, was given 11 walks, and broke a tight game open in the middle innings. Winning pitcher Timmy Snyder had three hits, and Ricky Flynn had two hits and three RBIs. Jackie Quinn with a triple and single and Jeff Gomes with a double and single paced VFW.

Tonight, Itam Lodge meets Union Federal at Deming and Besse-Clarke takes on General Electric at North Field.

JUN 21 1973 Rogers team uses late rally to win

Rogers Jewelers scored three times in the last inning to edge Arace's Datsun 7-6. Falstaff Brewers boycotted Eagle Cafe with a 7-0 shutout, and the Irish-Americans rapped Dick Joseph Auto Body 8-2 in the city league's slow-pitch action last night at Lakewood Field.

John Sheran hit a grand slam homer for the Irish-Americans, and Bud Reddington connected with no one on base for Falstaff. Frank Gai of Arace's had four straight hits.

Three-hit men were Dick Moon and Joe Kamienski of Rogers, and Dave Melle, Phil Heidel and Denny Murphy of Arace's.

Arace's and Berkshire Common will open tonight's program at 6:30. Games featuring Del Gallo's Restaurant and Shedd Plumbing, and Eagle Cafe and James Jewelers will follow.

JUN 22 1973 Extra-inning games mark city softball

A pair of singles and four opposition errors, with two outs in the top of the 10th inning last night, enabled Berkshire Common to score twice and nip Araces Datsun 7-5 in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League.

In other games, Shedd Plumbing edged Del Gallo's Restaurant 6-5 in another extra-inning game, and James Jewelers defeated the Eagle Cafe 13-9.

Berkshire Common and Araces exchanged nine runs in the very first frame of their contest, with Araces taking a 5-4 lead into the second. Berkshire scored again in the third to tie the score and it remained that way until the 10th. Pete Boyd, Tony Belanger and Frank McKeever led the winners with three hits apiece.

Three straight singles in the bottom of the eighth inning brought across the deciding run for Shedd Plumbing in its victory over Del Gallo's. The Plumbers overcame a 5-3 Restaurant lead to take the game. Gary Chaffre paced the winners with four hits.

In the third encounter of the night, James Jewelers erupted for six runs in the first inning, but fell behind 8-6 in the fifth and had to rally for a six-run sixth frame to pull out its win against Eagle Cafe. On the winning side, Al Belanger went 4 for 4 and Dan MacDonald chipped in three hits.

Tonight's slow-pitch softball schedule features James Jewelers and the Irish-Americans in the 6:30 p.m. game, Rogers Jewelers against Dick Joseph's Auto Body in the second game at 7:30, and the Water Department tangling with New England Telephone in the nightcap at 8:30.

JUN 22 1973 Itam victor in low-hit contest 10-5

Itam Lodge beat Union Federal 10-5 in a Babe Ruth League National Division game last night at Deming Park in which there were only three hits. The winners had two and the losers one. However, there were 24 walks and the game was called after 4½ innings because of darkness.

Tom Farrell was the winning pitcher for his third triumph in three decisions. Rick Taikowski and Mitch Wood also hurled. They combined on the one-hitter, gave up 10 bases on balls and two earned runs and struck out four.

Mike Frawley started for Union Federal. He was relieved by shortstop John Rapkowicz after walking the first four batters. Rapkowicz gave up the two hits and 10 passes but no earned runs.

Mark Sheran and Frank Peplowski had the Itam safeties. Mike Quadrozzi had the bank team's hit, a double.

O'Connell Cadillac-Olds will play IUE 255 at Deming tonight.

JUN 25 1973 Besse's, GE split 2 games

Strikeouts, walks predominate in BRL twin bill

Besse-Clarke got only three hits in a Babe Ruth doubleheader but managed to gain a split with General Electric Saturday at North Junior High field. Besse's lost the first game 5-1 but won the second 6-2.

Pete Pellegrinelli hurled a one-hitter for GE in the opener. Walt DiNicola's single was the safety, but Pellegrinelli walked 11 batters and fanned a like number.

Paul Lysonski's two-run triple was the big hit. Losing pitcher Timmy Carroll struck out 10 and walked four.

Besse's received nine walks and three errors to go with two scratch singles, but the ingredients blended for six runs and the win in the nightcap. Mark Dunn, meanwhile, allowed only three hits and fanned nine to get the win. Loser Mike Anello also struck out nine, and Pete O'Brien had two hits and drove in both runs for GE.

Tonight Comet Jewelers faces Adams Super Markets at 6.

Supplymen belt VFW team 19-2

IUE Local 254, GEAA continue as BR leaders

Western Mass. Supply belted VFW Post 448 last night 19-2 in a game called in the last of the fifth because of the Babe Ruth League's 15-run rule.

Pete Pellegrinelli had three hits, including a triple, and batted in five runs. Winning pitcher Paul Lysonski, Paul Stockley and Steve Cronin had two hits apiece.

The win was the fourth in five games for the Supplymen. IUE Local 254 leads the American League with a 3-0 record, and Western Mass. Supply is second. Other records are Adams Super Markets 3-1, Besse-Clarke and Comet Jewelers 2-3, and General Electric and VFW 1-4.

GEAA leads the National League with a 3-1 mark. Itam Lodge, Lipton Oil and O'Connell Cadillac are tied for second at 3-2. Irish-American Club and Union Federal are 2-3, and IUE Local 255 trails with a 1-4 record. The scheduled NL game was postponed last night due to wet grounds.

JUN 27 1973

JUN 27 1973 BRL playoffs main topic on TV sports show

Babe Ruth Baseball League playoffs will be discussed tonight on Sam Levine's Channel 2 television sports program at 8. Guests will be Art Gwinell, director of the Pittsfield league, and all-star players Gary Davis of the Pittsfield National Division, Peter Pellegrinelli of the Pittsfield American Division and Brian Ronan of the Dalton League.

Gwinell will explain the playoff program and the players will talk about their teams' rosters and chances in the playoffs. In playoff opener this Saturday at 1:30 the Pittsfield Americans will face Dalton at Clapp Park and the Pittsfield Nationals will go against Adams at Deming Field.

Cohost Robert Levine will report on youth baseball leagues in the city and the Pittsfield Summer Soccer League.

JUN 29 1973 Two-hitter beats three of a kind

Lussier of Irish defeats Quadrozzi of Union Bank 2-0

Mike Quadrozzi threw a three-hitter last night, striking out 16, walking one batter and allowing only one earned run, but he lost. His Union Federal Savings team was beaten 2-0 by Tom Lussier of the Irish-Americans, who went Quadrozzi one better and hurled a two-hitter, while fanning nine.

The big hitters in the Babe Ruth National League game were Rob Turner, Pete Brown and Steve Hine for the Irish and Rick Arpante and Mike Frawley for the bankers. Brown scored both runs for the winners.

In the American League, the lights went out for General Electric after six innings as its game with Adams Super Markets was called because of darkness with the Supers winning 8-4.

GE pitcher Pete O'Brien experienced an energy crisis of his own on the mound as he fueled the Adams attack with nine walks and his teammates contributed to giving up eight unearned runs. O'Brien had two hits, though, as did Tim Snyder of the Markets. Ed Burt picked up the win, scattering six hits and striking out five.

In Babe Ruth activity tonight, IUE Local 255 will play the league-leading GEAA squad in the National League at 6 at Deming Field, while Western Mass. Supply meets IUE Local 254 at North Junior High.

JUN 29 1973 Lou Russo is renamed BRL head

Louis Russo of Pittsfield has been reelected District 1 director of the Babe Ruth Baseball League. The district comprises all of Berkshire County.

Russo is president of the Pittsfield Babe Ruth League. John Marchesi of Pittsfield was elected to the new position of assistant district director.

Presidents of leagues present at the election meeting were Ugo Ballardini of Adams, Peter Cowlin of Dalton, Paul Gibbons of Great Barrington and Kevin Roosa of Lee. Art Gwinell represented the Pittsfield leagues.

Babe Ruth tournament set Sunday

Pittsfield all-star teams will play Dalton and Adams

The Babe Ruth District 1 baseball tournament will begin Sunday with two opening-round games.

The Dalton All-Stars will play the Pittsfield American Stars at Clapp Park, and the Pittsfield National League All-Star team will entertain Adams at Deming Field. Both games will start at 1:30 p.m.

Lee and Southern Berkshire drew opening-round byes. The tournament semifinals will be held Tuesday, with the finals scheduled for next Saturday.

The rosters for the two Pittsfield ball clubs are as follows:

American League All-Stars: Pete Pellegrinelli and Paul Stockley of Western Mass. Suppy; Tim Carroll and Rick Pearce of Besse-Clarke; Mike Gingras, John Schneider and Joe Murphy of Comet's Jewelers; Pete O'Brien of GE; Rick Flynn and Mark Brouker of Adams Super Markets; Jeff Gomes, Jack Quinn and Mike LaRochelle of VFW Post 448; and Bob Loehr and Dan Broderick of IUE Local 254. The coaches are John Duda and Jerry DiCicco.

National League All-Stars: Tony Sinico, Dave DiNicola and Bob Horne of GEAA; Pete Brown and Rob Turner of the Irish-Americans; Joe Yannone of IUE Local 255; Jim Pelkey and Mark Bushey of Lipton Oil; Mark Mangano and Steve Sweener of Itam Lodge 564; Jeff Lane, Gary Davis and Joe Seckler of O'Connell Cadillac-Olds; John Rapkowicz and Mike Quadrozzi of Union Federal. Dick Grady will be the manager, assisted by Lou Orazio and Lou Orazio Jr.

JUN 30 1973

JUL 2 1973

Nationals top Adams in playoffs

Babe Ruth play
continues with
semis tomorrow

The National League All-Stars of Pittsfield downed Adams, 5-1, yesterday at Deming Park in the first round of the Berkshire County Babe Ruth playoffs.

The victory means an all-Pittsfield match-up in the semifinals. The Nationals and the Pittsfield Americans will meet tomorrow at Deming at 5:30 p.m. Lee and Southern Berkshire will play the other game.

Pete Brown went the distance for the Nationals, holding Adams to two singles, and striking out 12. The visitors broke the shutout in the fifth.

Pittsfield scored twice in the first inning. Mike Quadrozzi drove in the first run with a single, and scored the second on an error. Bob Horne's two-run double and Rob Turner's RBI-single were the key hits in a three-run sixth.

Horne also made a fine running catch of a fly ball to deep centerfield in the sixth. Adams' centerfielder Mike Kalisz made a strong throw to cut down a Pittsfield runner at home plate in the home sixth.

Tom Elwell was the losing pitcher.

The score:

PITTSFIELD NATIONALS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Sinico, 3b	3	1	1	0	0	1
Brown, p	3	0	0	0	1	0
DiNicola, ss	3	0	0	2	1	0
Quadrozzi, 1b	3	2	1	5	0	0
Pelkey, lf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Davis, c	1	1	0	12	0	0
Turner, rf-2b	2	1	1	1	0	0
Seckler, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0
xSweeney, ph	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bushey, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Horne, cf	3	0	1	1	0	1
Totals	23	5	5	21	5	2

ADAMS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Delmolino, ss	3	0	0	1	1	1
Kalisz, cf	3	0	0	1	1	0
Kozik, rf	3	0	1	0	0	0
Larson, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Elwell, p	3	0	0	1	2	0
Pause, 3b	2	0	0	2	2	0
Pandell, c	3	0	0	8	1	0
Koperniak, 2b	1	0	0	0	1	0
zDabrowski, pr	0	1	0	0	0	0
Morey, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Crouse, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
St. John, 1b	2	0	1	5	0	1
Totals	23	1	2	18	8	2

x struck out for Seckler in 6th
z pinch ran for Koperniak in 5th

Pittsfield Nationals 200 003 — 5
Adams 000 010 0 — 1

DR — DiNicola to Quadrozzi; LOB —
Pittsfield Nationals 6, Adams 7; RBI —
Horne 2, Quadrozzi, Turner, Crouse; 2B —
Horne; SB — Pelkey, Delmolino, Kozik, Dabrowski; S — Turner.

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Brown (w) 7 2 1 1 5 12
Elwell (l) 6 5 5 4 4 7

HBP — By Elwell (Seckler)

Balk — Brown

Time — 1 hour, 45 minutes

WP — Brown, Elwell

PB — Davis

Umpires — Cowlin and Callahan

JUL 2 1973

Babe Ruth Americans beat Dalton

Broderick hurls
3-hitter in
county playoffs

The Pittsfield Americans rode the three-hit pitching of Danny Broderick to a 9-0 victory over Dalton yesterday at Clapp Park in an opening round game of the annual Babe Ruth county tournament.

Broderick had little difficulty as he used 10 strikeouts to keep the visitors in check. He walked four.

Pittsfield used two four-run innings to break the game open. Four hits and three wild pitches contributed to a big fourth inning. The tally went to 9-0 with another rally in the sixth.

Mike Gingras and Mike LaRochelle had two hits each for the Americans. Pete Pellegrinelli drove in two runs. Mark Brouker had the game's only extra base hit, a double.

The Americans will meet the Pittsfield Nationals tomorrow at 5:30 in the semifinal round game at Deming Park.

The score:

PITTS. AMERICAN

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Gingras, lf	5	1	2	0	0	0
Stockley, ss	3	1	1	2	0	0
Pearce, ss	0	1	0	0	0	0
Flynn, cf	3	1	1	0	0	1
Pellegrinelli, c	2	1	1	1	0	0
Quinn, 1b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Murphy, 1b	0	1	0	3	0	0
LaRochelle, 3b	3	1	2	0	1	0
Brouker, 2b	4	1	1	3	4	0
Gomes, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Loehr, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Broderick, p	2	1	1	0	3	0
Totals	26	9	9	21	8	1

DALTON ALLSTARS

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Zink, cf, p	2	0	1	0	2	2
Roraback, 1b	2	0	0	3	0	0
Barschdorf, lf	1	0	0	1	0	0
McLure, ss	0	0	0	1	1	0
Wright, 3b	3	0	1	0	0	1
DeCelles, p	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gingras, c, cf	1	0	0	1	0	0
Nassif, lf, 1b	3	0	0	5	1	1
Welch, rf	2	0	1	1	0	0
Rivers, 2b	1	0	0	1	2	0
McMahon, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0
Boino, cf, c	3	0	0	5	0	0
Totals	21	0	3	18	6	4

Pittsfield Amer. 100 404 — 9

LOB — Pittsfield 10, Dalton 6; RBI —
Pellegrinelli 2, Stockley, Gomes, Broderick, LaRochelle; 2B — Brouker; SB —
Loehr, LaRochelle, Murphy, Pellegrinelli, Flynn, Pearce, Gingras, Zink; S —
McLure, DeCelles; SF — LaRochelle, Gomes.

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Broderick (w) 7 3 0 0 4 10
DeCelles (l) 3 5 8 5 4 1 3
Zink 2 1 4 3 8 4

BALK — Broderick

WP — Zink 6

PB — Boino 2

Time — 2 hours, 10 minutes

Umpires — Gibbons, Daley

Comet's hands ASM a loss

Lipton's Rivelli
hurls shutout in
Babe Ruth League

Comet's Jewelers handed Adams Super Markets its first loss, and Lipton Oil's Fred Rivelli hurled a three-hit shutout over the Irish-Americans in Babe Ruth League games last night.

Comet's won the American League game at North Junior High field, 4-3, with Ed Ferris's pitching and batting the feature. He was the only player with two hits, and went the first six innings on the mound to gain the victory. Joe Murphy turned in a strong relief job, fanning two men in his one inning.

Rivelli dispatched the Irish-American Club, 6-0, in the short time of one hour and 29 minutes. Paul Gregory had two hits and three RBIs. Mark Litano and Jim Pelkey two hits for Lipton's. The winners are now one game behind National League-leading GEAA.

Tonight GEAA meets O'Connell Cadillac at Deming Park, and Western Mass. Supply faces VFW 448 at North.

JUN 26 1973

Cadillacs, Comet's win in Babe Ruth

American and
National stars

O'Connell Cadillac & Olds nipped Lipton Oil, 5-4, and Comet's Jewelers dazzled VFW Post 448, 10-3, yesterday in the Babe Ruth League National and American divisions as the two circuits broke for a two-day Fourth of July recess and the continuation of the Berkshire County Babe Ruth tournament.

The National All-Stars meet the American Stars tonight at 5:30 at Deming Field.

In the National League last night, Cadillac-Olds starter Joe Seckler and reliever Gary Davis combined to limit the Oilers to three hits and five walks on defense and led the O'Connells on offense as well. Davis collected three hits and Seckler two. Jim Pelkey was the losing pitcher for Lipton, giving up six hits and only one earned run.

Ed Ferris went all the way for Comet's Jewelers in the American League last night, scattering three Veteran hits and fanning six. Mike Larkin, Wayne Murphy, Mike Gingras and Joe Murphy all had two hits for the winners. Gingras also had three runs batted in. Doug Stetson was the losing hurler for the VFW squad.

JUL 5 1973

Americans win BR semifinal

Pittsfield
team plays
S. Berkshire

The Pittsfield Americans downed the Pittsfield Nationals, 13-6, Tuesday night at Deming Park to gain the final round of the Berkshire County Babe Ruth tournament.

The Americans benefited mightily from 11 hits, eight walks and seven enemy errors. They will meet Southern Berkshire in the title game Saturday.

Tim Carroll went the distance on the mound. He also allowed 11 hits, walked three, and allowed three earned runs. He fanned four. The losers used four hurlers. Starter Mike Quadrozzi, who took the loss, was succeeded by Rob Turner, Dave DiNicola and Joe Seckler.

Hitting stars for the victors were Mike LaRochelle with three hits and three RBIs, and Pete Pellegrinelli with two hits. Joe Murphy got the day's big blow, a triple to the clubhouse in left field. He continued home to score by jarring the ball loose from the catcher's grasp.

DiNicola paced the Nationals' offense with three hits. Pete Brown added two.

JUL 6 1973

WM Supply blacks out GE in rout

Little-used 15-run
rule calls contest
in Babe Ruth loop

Western Mass. Supply showed off its well-stocked offense last night in the American Division of the Babe Ruth league by humbling General Electric 16-1 and causing the rarely used 15-run rule to be put into effect, under which a game is called when one of the teams manages to pile up a lead of 15 runs or more.

In the National Division, Union Federal upset front-running GEAA 11-8 in six innings.

It just wasn't a good night for GE in its battle with Western Supply. Not only did the Electricmen issue 15 walks in their losing battle to stop the Suppliers from scoring at will, but they also experienced an almost total power failure at the plate. Only Pete O'Brien could get a hit for GE, and that was a bunt.

Steve Shea was brilliant on the mound for Western, adorning his one-hitter with 14 strikeouts. He had a no-hitter in the works until O'Brien's hit in the sixth. Mike Greenleaf, with three runs batted in, and Paul Stoakley, with a triple, single and two RBIs, led the Supply attack.

Meanwhile, Union Federal's John Rapkowicz laced a three-run triple in the fourth inning to provide the winning margin for the Bankers as they closed out GEAA in a marathon two hours, 35 minutes.

Mike Quadrozzi was the winning hurler for Union in relief of starter Mike Frawley, while Pete Gagne, the first of three GEAA twirlers, took the loss. Dave DiNicola went three for three with the bat for GEAA.

Tonight at 6, Lipton Oil plays IUE Local 255 at Deming Park.

Jewelers top Local 254, Liptons win in Ruth loop

Comet Jewelers upset hitherto unbeaten IUE 254, 8-3, in a Babe Ruth League game last night. In another Babe Ruth contest Lipton Oil slicked past IUE 255, 11-10.

Ed Ferris was the hitting star for the winning Comets, knocking in two runs with a triple and double. Joe Murphy on the mound for the winners scattered three hits and struck out 12. He also hit two singles.

Paul Gregory's single in the bottom of the seventh gave Lipton's the winning runs against Local 255. Winning pitcher was Jeff Altman who shared mound duties with Fred Rivelli and Mark Bushey. Paul Heidel went the distance for Local 255. Bushey was the only Oiler with two hits. Paul Jamross of the Union-eers also had two safeties.

Two games will be played on Deming Field today. At 10 a.m. O'Connell Cadillac-Olds plays

JUL 7 1973

Sheran hits two homers in Itam win

Mark Sheran socked a grand slam and a two-run homer and chipped in a single for good measure Saturday in Babe Ruth National League action, as Itam Lodge crushed Lipton Oil 17-2 in five innings. The game was curtailed due to the automatic 15-run rule.

In other Ruth League play, O'Connell Cadillac-Olds bowed to GEAA 10-5.

Thanks to the potent offense led by the heavy-hitting Sheran, Itam pitcher Tom Farrell had an easy time of it, scattering five hits and yielding only a pair of earned runs. He also contributed a triple to the attack as eight Itam players got into the hitting act with at least one apiece.

For Lipton, Jay Murphy came back from a lengthy layoff because of an operation and delivered the only Oiler runs with a two-run single. Mark Litano had two hits, and John Stinson took the loss on the mound.

GEAA shortstop Tony Sinico sparked his club at the plate and in the field in the other game. He came up with a pair of big defensive moves by starting two double plays when O'Connell threatened, once with the bases loaded and none out. At bat he collected two hits, one of them a triple. Dave DiNicola went the distance for GEAA to earn the win while striking out 11.

Gary Davis continued to rip the cover off the ball for O'Connell, going three for three for the second game in a row. Joe Seckler, who suffered the loss for the Caddies, clubbed a three-run home run in the losing cause.

Tonight at Deming Field, GEAA meets the Irish-Americans at 6.

JUL 9 1973

JUL 10 1973 Supplymen, GE victors in BR loop

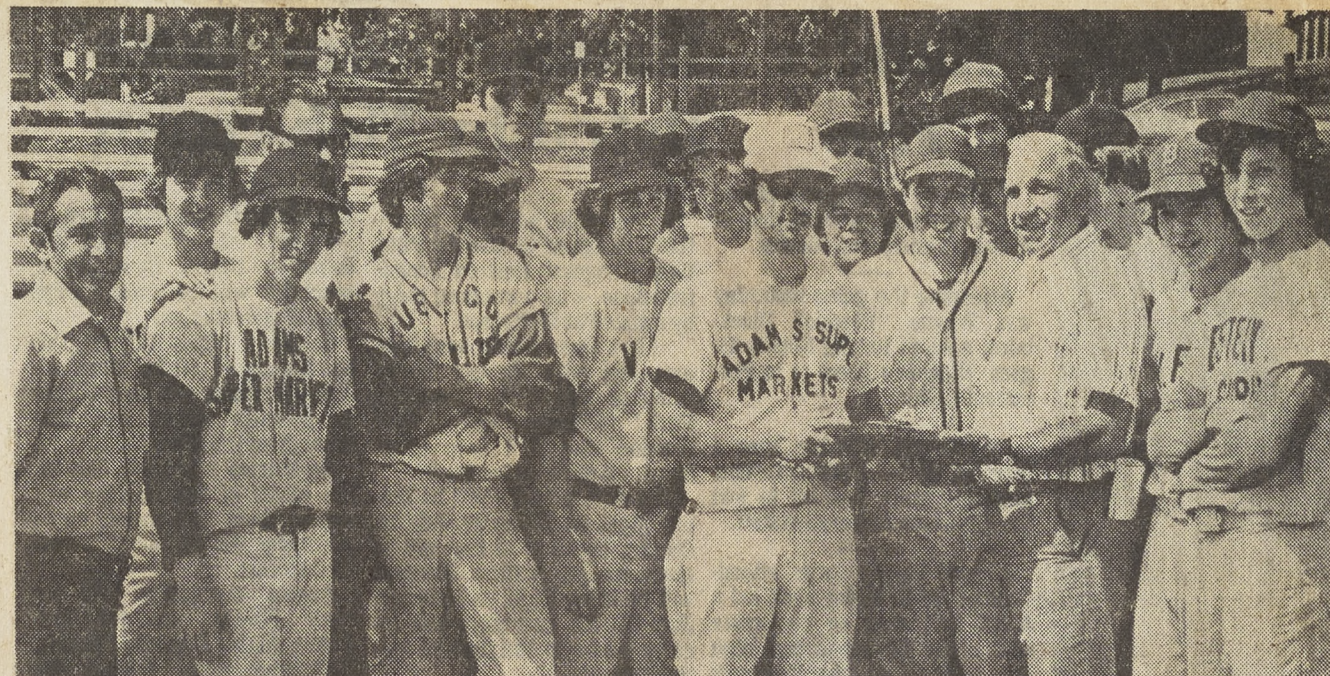
Western Mass. Supply and GEAA banged out victories in the Babe Ruth League last night. The Supplymen downed Adams Super Markets 13-9 and GEAA tripped the Irish-American Club 14-4.

Pete Pellegrinelli of WMS had a perfect four for four, including a double. Winning pitcher Paul Lysonski knocked in three runs with two doubles as his team retained first place. Mark Brouker and Ricky Flynn led the losers with three hits apiece.

Dave DiNicola had a pair of hits and Rob Horne hit a two-run homer for GEAA. Rob Turner and Mike Doucette had two hits each for the Irish-Americans.

Tonight at 6, Besse-Clarke will meet IUE 254 at North Junior High field, and IUE 255 will meet Itam Lodge at Deming.

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Mark Mitchell

BABE RUTH CHAMPIONSHIP of District 1 (Berkshire County) was symbolized by the plaque awarded to coach Jerry DiCicco, center, of the Pittsfield Americans Saturday following his team's win over Southern Berkshire at Clapp Park. District director Lou

Russo is shown making the presentation. At far left is John Marchesi, supervisor of recreation for the Park Department. Second from left, back row, is league secretary Art Gwinnell. Team will meet District 2 champion here Saturday.

American stars win District 1 tourney

The Pittsfield Americans won the championship of District 1 (Berkshire County) of the Babe Ruth tournament playoffs by blanking Southern Berkshire 3-0 Saturday at Clapp Park.

Paul Stockley turned in the shutout with a neat two-hitter. Both singles off him were made by Mike Kydes of the visitors, one in the second inning and another bloop single in the seventh. Stockley walked four and struck out four. He also knocked in Pittsfield's second run with a single in the fourth inning.

Joe Murphy began the scoring with a home run to center field in the second. Stockley's bases-loaded bloop hit made it 2-0. Ricky Pearce gave the home team an insurance run in the sixth when he doubled down the left field line to drive in Jeff Gomes, who had walked.

David Eichstedt went the distance for Southern Berkshire. He allowed five hits and walked seven.

Pittsfield played well defensively. Standout was third baseman Mike LaRochelle, who made several good plays.

The Americans will be at home Saturday against the winner of the District 2 playoffs.

The score:

PITTS. AMERICANS									
	ab	r	h	po	a	e			
Pearce, ss	3	0	1	2	1	0			
Broderick, 2b	2	0	0	0	0	0			
Flynn, cf	4	0	1	1	1	0			
Pellegrinelli, c	2	0	0	4	0	0			
LaRochelle, 3b	3	0	0	1	5	1			
Murphy, 1b	3	2	2	1	0	0			
Gingras, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Loehr, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Gomes, rf	0	1	0	0	0	0			
Stockley, p	3	0	1	1	2	1			
Totals	22	3	5	21	9	2			

SOUTH BERKSHIRE									
	ab	r	h	po	a	e			
Omelenchuk, ss	3	0	0	3	3	0			
Harris, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0			
Skie, 1b	3	0	0	9	0	0			
Eichstedt, p	3	0	0	0	4	0			
Teggi, c	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Jurgeson, 2b	1	0	0	2	2	0			
Kydes, 3b	3	0	2	1	1	1			
McGowan, lf	2	0	0	1	0	0			
x-Krzynowek	1	0	0	0	0	0			
Martin, rf	2	0	0	1	0	0			
Totals	23	0	2	18	10	1			

x Popped out for McGowan in the 7th
Pittsfield 010 101 — 3
DP — Eichstedt to Omelenchuk to Skie;
LOB — Pitts. — 9, South Berk. 6; RBI —
Pearce, Murphy, Stockley; 2B — Pearce;
HR — Murphy; SB — Broderick, Martin;
S — Pellegrinelli.

	ip	h	r	er	bb	so
Stockley (w)	7	2	0	0	4	4
Eichstedt (l)	6	5	3	3	7	1
PB — Teggi						
T — 1:35						
Umpires — Cowlin & Callahan						

Besse-Clarke and IUE win games

Besse-Clarke nipped IUE 254 2-1 and IUE 255 downed Itam Lodge 14-8 last night in Babe Ruth Baseball League play.

Besse-Clarke scored two unearned runs without a base hit. Tommy Gaul stole home and was made safe when the catcher dropped the ball. Dave Petruzella squeezed in the go-ahead run.

Mark Dunn received credit for the Besse-Clarke win. He threw five scoreless innings after relieving starter Timmy Carroll, whose arm tightened.

Paul Jamross and Joe Yannoni with two hits each led IUE 255. Itam's hitting star was Mark Sheran, whose three hits included a two-run homer.

Union Federal will go against O'Connell Cadillac tonight at 6 at Deming Field. VFW will go against General Electric tomorrow night.

JUL 11 1973

Pittsfield will oppose Greenfield in BR game

Pittsfield's American League all-stars, champions of District 1, will go against Greenfield's District 2 titlists tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 at Wahconah Park in a playoff game to determine who will advance in state

Babe Ruth League play. Each team has won three straight. Pittsfield has beaten Dalton 9-0, the Pittsfield Nationals 13-6 and Southern Berkshire 3-0. Dan Broderick threw a three-hitter against Dalton. Tim Carroll went the route in the game with the Pittsfield Nationals. Paul Stockley yielded only two singles to Southern Berkshire.

Coaches Jerry DiCicco and John Duda will choose their pitches from Broderick, Carroll and Stockley.

Almost certain to be the Greenfield starter is Doug Welenc, who has been somewhat sensational to date. He threw a no-hitter in beating Granby 3-0 and allowed but one hit in a 4-0 victory over Amherst. He had a total of 25 strikeouts in the two games.

Belchertown was Greenfield's victim 9-1.

JUL 13 1973

O'Connell's, GE edge BR opponents

Both teams win by 6-5 score; Houle homers

General Electric and O'Connell Cadillac each won a 6-5 Babe Ruth League game last night. GE scored twice in the last of the seventh to edge VFW Post 448. O'Connell nipped Union Federal.

Steve Supranowicz had a key single in GE's winning rally. Greg Gagliardi had a double and single. Doug Stetson hit a long triple for the VFW team. Winning pitcher Mike Anello allowed only three hits and fanned 12, but he also walked 12. Joe Zaccari was the loser.

Dave Houle of O'Connell's rapped a home run, one of only three hits allowed by losing pitcher Mike Quadrozzi, who also struck out a dozen. John Rapkowitz's triple led Union Federal. Joe Seckler and Gary Davis combined for the winners on a four-hitter.

Tonight at 6, Western Mass. Supply meets Comet Jewlers at North Field, and GEAA takes on Lipton Oil at Deming.

Tony Sinico slams Lipton

GEAA slugger drives in 8 in 19-6 romp

Tony Sinico smashed a pair of grand slams in the same inning last night as GEAA routed Lipton Oil 19-6 in Babe Ruth National League action at Deming Field.

Sinico's two homers accounted for eight of the GEAA's 11 runs in the explosive fifth inning. Dave DiNicola was the winning pitcher, yielding five hits and two earned runs, while Jim Pelkey and Jeff Altman hurled for Lipton giving up 11 hits and 15 earned scores. The game was called because of darkness in the sixth inning.

Tonight at 6, IUE Local 255 plays the Irish-Americans at Deming Field.

JUL 13 1973

JUL 14 1973 Union teams win Babe Ruth games

Irish, ASM
victims of
IUE nines

Both IUE-sponsored Babe Ruth teams scored victories last night. Local 255 outlasted the Irish-American Club 14-13 in an error-ridden game at Deming Park, and Local 254 racked out 16 hits to subdue Adams Super Markets 10-6 at Northfield.

Winning pitcher Paul Jamross, Joe Yannone, and Mark Viale had three hits each for Local 255. Yannone cracked a triple and Jamross and Steve Gardner had doubles.

Top hitter in the game was Mike Doucette of the Irish nine with four safeties. Teammate Eddie Filiault hit a two-run homer.

Bobby Loehr, Jimmy Troy, and Mike Ostrick made three hits apiece in Local 254's victory. Loehr had two RBIs. Gary Barcher was the winning pitcher. Eddie Burt went three-for-four and John Barbarotta had two hits and two RBIs for the Marketmen.

GEAA will test Local 255, and Itam Lodge will face the Irish Americans this morning at 10. Besse Clarke and Western Mass. Supply are scheduled for Monday at 6 p.m.

JUL 16 1973 Supply, GEAA win

Babe Ruth league
division leaders
maintain margins

Paul Stockley stroked a 350-foot home run with two aboard in the first inning and came on as a relief pitcher in the second to pitch five frames of shutout baseball as Western Mass. Supply held on to first place in the Babe Ruth American League Friday night by defeating Comet Jewelers 5-1.

Steve Cronin added to the Western Mass. scoring in the third with a two-run single. Losing Comet hurler Joe Murphy managed a triple at the plate.

In the National League, GEAA beat IUE Local 255, 8-3, and Itam Lodge 5-4, defeated the Irish-American Club, 5-3, in a doubleheader Saturday afternoon at Deming Field.

Paul Daley fired a four-hitter and Tony Sinico rapped out a pair of hits to pace GEAA in the opening game. Bob Horne chipped in a double for the winners, and Mark Viale had two hits for the losing Unioneers.

Frank Peplowski starred in relief and at the plate for Itam in the second game, taking over for starter Tom Farrell to earn the win. Peplowski contributed a double along with Mike Mahoney's two-base hit and Shaun Farley's single for Itam's three safeties. Rob Turner and losing pitcher John Sokolowski had two hits apiece for the Irish.

The victory by GEAA give it a 7-2 record on the season and a lock on first place, while Itam is in a tie with O'Connell Cadillac for second place with a 5-3 ledger.

Saturday's winners will meet tonight at 6 at Deming as GEAA takes on Itam.

JUL 16 1973



Mark Mitchell

NAILED AT THE PLATE on perfect throw by Pittsfield shortstop Paul Stockley, is Greenfield runner Mike Maloney who receives the tag from catcher Pete Pellegri in the fifth inning of Saturday's Babe Ruth tournament contest at Wahconah Park. Plate umpire Dan Callahan looks on.

Pittsfield eliminated in BR tilt

By Mike Meserole

Doug Welenc is hot. Last week he pitched the Greenfield Babe Ruth all-stars to the District 2 championship by hurling a no-hit shutout past Granby and blanking Amherst with a one-hit job.

Saturday afternoon at Wahconah Park, amidst some falling rain here and a collapsing light tower there, Welenc continued his torrid streak by disposing of the District 1 champion Pittsfield American League all-stars with another one-hitter, 8-0.

The victory marked the tall right-hander's third straight shutout in tournament play, and his total of 11 strikeouts raises his tourney count to 36 in only 21 innings.

The closest Pittsfield got to stopping Welenc was a 10-minute delay of the game due to rain at the start of the bottom of the first inning. But once he began to pitch, it became obvious that Pittsfield's tournament hopes were not going to make it through the afternoon.

Carroll gets the only hit

Ten consecutive hometown batters returned to the dugout empty-handed before Paul Stockley became the first baserunner in the fourth inning. And it wasn't until six batters after that, that relief pitcher Tim Carroll got the first and only hit off Welenc in the sixth. Carroll even blazed a trail to second base, but that was as far as any Pittsfielder was allowed to go.

Besides the walk to Stockley and the single by Carroll, the only offensive bright spot was provided by first baseman Joe Murphy, who reached first when Welenc bounced a fastball off his back in the fifth frame. With Murphy breaking for second as Welenc pitched to Mike Gingras, Gingras popped the ball up to Welenc, who whirled and threw to his first baseman Mike Duprey to double up Murphy.

Duprey, however, couldn't get a grip on the ball until Murphy was right on top of him. By then the bulky Mup had gathered so much speed in his rush back to the base, that even though Duprey had finally found the ball, he instantly lost it again in the collision. It was one of the few times in the game that the loyal Pittsfield fans were able to let out a bona fide cheer.

Kostanski leads the way

Paced by No. 8 hitter Jay Kostanski, who collected three hits, including a lead-off double in the seventh, and knocked in two runs, the Greenfield all-stars were murder at the plate.

After a scoreless first inning in which starting Pittsfield pitcher Dan Broderick got the side out in order, Greenfield commenced the second frame with a single by Welenc, a walk to Dave Mowry and a run-scoring single by Duprey. It was precisely then that the old right field light tower fell down (on purpose, according to stadium officials, to make room for Pat McKernan's new lighting system).

It was a bad omen. Before the inning was out, Greenfield had scored four times and sent Broderick packing. Reliever Carroll came on strike out the side and turned in a creditable performance for the remainder of the game. Greenfield scored four more runs in the fifth and sixth, but only one of them was earned.

Greenfield now moves on in the state Babe Ruth tournament to play the winner of the District 3 vs. District 4 meeting. That game will be played Wednesday evening at 5:30 on the UMass baseball field in Amherst.

The box score:

GREENFIELD										
	ab	r	h	b	po	a	e			
York, cf	5	0	2	0	0	0	0			
Phillips, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Handley, lf	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Maloney, ss	3	1	0	3	1	0	0			
Welenc, p	4	1	2	1	0	0	0			
Mowry, c	3	2	1	1	0	0	0			
Duprey, 1b	4	2	2	4	0	1	0			
Vivier, 3b	2	2	0	0	2	0	0			
Sullivan, 3b	1	0	0	0	1	0	0			
Kostanski, rf	3	0	3	0	0	0	0			
Dzilekanski, 2b	2	0	1	2	1	0	0			
Rice, 2b	1	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Totals	23	8	11	21	5	1	0			
PITTSFIELD										
	ab	r	h	b	po	a	e			
Pearce, 2b	3	0	0	3	2	1	0			
Stockley, ss	1	0	0	0	4	0	0			
Flynn, cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Pellegrinelli, c	3	0	0	7	1	0	0			
LaRoche, 3b	3	0	0	1	1	0	0			
Murphy, 1b	1	0	0	3	1	0	0			
Quinn, 1b	1	0	0	4	0	0	0			
Gingras, rf	2	0	0	1	0	1	0			
O'Brien, x	1	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Loehr, lf	2	0	0	2	0	1	0			
Broderick, p	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Carroll, p	2	0	1	0	0	1	0			
Totals	22	0	1	21	9	4	0			
Greenfield	040 031 0-8									
LOB—Pittsfield	4, Greenfield 8;									
RBI—Kostanski 2, York, Mowry, Duprey,										
Dzilekanski;	2B—Kostanski;									
SB—Kostanski; S—Kostanski										
	ip	h	r	e	r	b	b	s		
Broderick (L)	1 1/2	4	4	4	2	1				
Carroll	5 2/3	7	4	1	3	5				
Welenc (W)	7	1	0	0	2	10				
BHP—By Welenc, Murphy; T—2 hours.										

JUL 18 1973 Lipton Oil wins close Ruth game

Jay Murphy scored from third base on a passed ball to enable Lipton Oil to beat Union Federal, 5-4, in a Babe Ruth National League game at Deming Field last night.

Murphy led the Oilers with two hits. Jim Pelkey went the distance for the pitching win, allowing eight hits and striking out five.

Bob Turner and John Rapkowitz had two hits each for the Bankers. Mike Quadrozzi, who relieved starter Mike Frawley, was the loser. They permitted just four hits between them.

O'Connell Cadillac and the Irish-Americans will meet tonight at 6.

Leominster beats Greenfield 8-1

Defending state champion Leominster defeated Greenfield yesterday to capture the Western Massachusetts Babe Ruth title with an 8-1 victory.

Greenfield, which handled Pittsfield American League All-Stars with such ease on Saturday, was never in the game. Leominster now moves on to the state Babe Ruth tournament where it will represent District 1, beginning on July 24.

JUL 19 1973

JUL 19 1973 Cadillacs, Adams win in laughters

The two divisions of the Babe Ruth League were in action last night but whether the game being played was baseball is anybody's guess.

In the American League, Adams Super Markets slipped past VFW Post 448 in a close one, 29-5. Rick Flynn and John Barbarotta had four hits each for the Supers, while Jack Quinn's two-run homer was the only sign that the VFW was on the same field. The holocaust was called after five innings when the 24-run rule was put into effect.

Free passes were the order of the night in the National League as O'Connell Cadillac pitchers Gary Davis and Joe Seckler and Irish-Americans twirlers Tom Lussier and Pete Brown linked up for 30 walks in just six innings. The Irish only walked 14 but they still lost, 16-15. The winning Cadillac runs came in on a three-run double by Jeff Lane. Only three of the Irish runs were earned.

Tonight in the NL and AL, Union Federal takes on IUE Local 255 at Deming Field and IUE Local 254 meets General Electric at 6.

In Tuesday night play Comet Jewelers beat GE in a respectable 6-4 decision with Wayne Murphy fanning 12 and scattering five hits for the winners.

JUL 17 1973

Two 10-7 scores mark Babe Ruth

Union Federal and IUE Local 254 notched identical 10-7 Babe Ruth victories last night in the National and American divisions. The Bankers defeated IUE Local 255 in a five-inning game that was called because of darkness and Local 254 scored five times in the first inning and four in the second to coast past General Electric.

John Rapkowitz took the win for Union Federal coming on in relief of starter Rick Arpante. Bob Turner led the Banker attack with three hits. Arpante had a double and John Sabato, a triple. Paul Jamross suffered the loss for the Local with Dick Kowalczyk providing the losers hitting on a single and double.

The other Local in town, 255, parlayed two hits by Mike Phillips and three runs batted in by Tom Gillette to gain a victory for relief pitcher Mike Ostrakis.

In tonight's Babe Ruth action, Itam Lodge 564 will play O'Connell Cadillac at Deming, while Besse-Clarke entertains VFW Post 448 at North Junior High. Both games start at 6 p.m.

JUL 20 1973

Itam wins as Mahoney steals home

Besse Clarke in easy victory in BRL game

Mike Mahoney stole home in the sixth inning to provide the margin of victory as Itam Lodge downed O'Connell Cadillac 6-5 in a Babe Ruth National League game at Deming Field last night. Besse Clarke thrashed VFW 17-2 in the other game.

Mark Mangano and Mark Sheran led Itam with two hits each. Sheran belted a triple. Frank Peplowski was the winning pitcher in relief of Tom Farrell. They combined for six strikeouts. O'Connell's used three pitchers.

Rick Pearce, with a double and two singles, and Ralph Kudlate with a triple and single, led the explosive Besse Clarke attack. Matt Capeless had a double and two singles for the Vets.

Tim Carroll was the winning pitcher, fanning six in the five inning duration of the game. The league's five-run rule was used.

The Irish Americans meet Lipton Oil, and IUE Local 254 takes on Adams Super Markets this morning at 10.

JUL 21 1973

Murphy leads Comet to victory

Joe Murphy led Comet Jewelers to a 14-2 win over Adams Super Markets last night in a Babe Ruth American League game at North Junior High field. Union Federal beat Itam Lodge 5-3 in the National League game at Deming Field.

Murphy belted a home run and a triple, scored four runs and knocked in three. In addition, he twirled a 10-strikeout, four-hitter at the Marketmen. Wildness was his big contention, as he walked six and hit two batters.

His teammates, John Schneider and Gerry Doyle, chipped in with two hits apiece. Jack Flynn rapped a double and single for the losers.

Mike Quadrozzi permitted only four hits and one earned run in guiding Union Federal past Itam. He did not issue a base on balls, and he fanned nine.

Bob Turner of the winners was the only player in the game to get two hits. Ken Martin hit a double for Itam.

Tonight at 6, Western Mass. Supply meets IUE Local 254 at North, and GEAA takes on IUE 255 at Deming.

JUL 24 1973

GEAA, 254 win BRL ball games

There were contrasting types of games in the Babe Ruth League last night. IUE 254 scored three times in the seventh to defeat league-leading Western Mass. Supply 3-2, while GEAA won 14-0 over IUE 255 in a contest called because of darkness in the sixth inning.

Gary Barcher's double brought in the tying runs for the winning union team and broke Paul Stockley's shutout. Bob Loehr then singled to make Stockley the losing pitcher despite a 13-strikeout performance.

Loehr and Dan Broderick also had singles to lead both teams. Broderick allowed only two hits and fanned seven in gaining the win.

The win moved IUE 254 (6-2) to within one game of the leaders (8-2).

Winner Dave DiNicola and reliever Mike Ryan combined on a three-hitter and had 11 strikeouts for GEAA. They also had two hits each, but gave way to Dave Sinico for hitting honors. Sinico had four safeties, including a homer.

Tonight, General Electric will meet Besse-Clarke, and the Irish-Americans will take on O'Connell Cadillac.

JUL 25 1973

Irish rally to defeat Lipton's

Irish-American Club rallied for eight runs in the last of the seventh to beat Lipton Oil, 12-11, and General Electric defeated Besse Clarke, 7-3, in Babe Ruth League games last night.

Pete Brown of the Irish-Americans was the night's hitting star, rapping a pair of two-run homers. Rob Turner had two singles, the second one driving in the winning runs to cap the big comeback. Mike Doucette of the winners and Paul Gregory, Mark Bushey and John Stinson of Lipton's had two hits each.

Turner, the last of four IAC hurlers, got the win. Ken Lussier, who relieved in the seventh, was the losing pitcher.

Mike Anello had two triples and Pete O'Brien two singles and two RBIs to bolster GE's Greg Gagliardi. Gagliardi went the distance despite allowing six hits and seven walks. GE pulled two double plays.

Tim Carroll pitched the first four innings for Besse's before retiring with a sore arm. He fanned nine. He went three-for-four at bat as well. Mike Belair succeeded him and was the loser.

No games will be played until next Thursday. IUE 255 will meet O'Connell Cadillac at Deming, and Besse's will face VFW at North field then.

JUL 26 1973

Western Mass. GEAA hold leads in PBRL races

Western Mass. Supply and GEAA hold healthy leads in the two Pittsfield Babe Ruth League divisional races at this point. The PBRL is currently in recess, but will resume action next Thursday.

JUL 27 1973

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Western Mass. Supply	8	2	.800
IUE Local 254	6	2	.750
Comet Jewelers	6	4	.600
Adams Super Markets	5	4	.556
Besse-Clarke	4	5	.444
General Electric	3	8	.273
VFW Post 448	1	8	.111

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	Won	Lost	Pct.
GEAA	9	2	.818
O'Connell Cadillac & Olds	6	4	.600
Itam Lodge 564	6	5	.545
Lipton Oil	5	6	.455
Union Federal	5	6	.455
Irish-American Club	4	7	.364
IUE Local 255	3	8	.273

AUG 4 1973

Adams Nips GE, 4-3, in BRL play

Adams Super Market scored only two scratch singles — one of which drove in the winning run in the seventh inning — to edge GE, 4-3, in a Babe Ruth League game last night.

Scott White's one-out single in the seventh drove in Paul McKeever to assure Adams the victory.

Adams used eight walks and four errors to score three unearned runs.

Timmy Snyder was the winning pitcher, striking out seven and walking seven, while allowing seven hits — all singles — by GE.

Mike Anello pitched the first six innings for GE, striking out eight, walking eight, and giving up one hit. Relief pitcher Pete O'Brien was the loser.

Union teams defeated in Ruth games

Both union teams were thrashed in Babe Ruth League games Saturday. Adams Super Markets banged out 11 hits and stole 15 bases in beating Local 254 by a 14-7 margin, and O'Connell Cadillac walloped Local 255, 19-2.

Friday night Union Federal beat the Irish-Americans 15-5.

Winning pitcher Ricky Flynn, who struck out nine, had a single, a double, three RBIs and four stolen bases. Eddie Burt had three singles and three steals.

Gary Barcher and Pat Murphy had two hits each for Local 254.

Winning pitcher Joe Seckler, who fanned 11, had four for five for O'Connell's, including a bases-loaded triple. Steve Durkee had three hits and Dave Houle and Gary Davis two each for the winners.

Kevin Coakley led Local 255 with two hits.

Mike Quadrozzi hurled a four-hitter and rapped as many himself in Union Federal's victory.

Tonight at 6, Besse-Clarke will meet Comet Jewelers at North field, and Itam Lodge will play Lipton Oil at Deming.

AUG 6 1973

Lipton Oil, Besse win in BR loop

Lipton Oil and Besse-Clarke posted victories in the Babe Ruth League last night. Lipton beating Itam, 10-8, in a six-inning game called because of darkness, and Besse knocking off Comet Jewelers, 7-6, after trailing 5-0.

Jim Pelkey and Fred Rivelli combined to pitch the Oilers past Itam, with hitting support from Jim Penna, Mark Bushey and Mark Litano. Bob Mahoney highlighted the Itam attack with a two-run homer.

Mike Belain had a two-run single to spark a three-run Besse rally in the fourth inning that gave them the winning margin, and went all the way on the mound scattering six hits. Tommy Gaul chipped in three hits for the winners.

In tonight's action, Western Mass. Supply plays VFW at North Junior High, and GEAA meets O'Connell Cadillac at Deming Field.

AUG 7 1973

GEAA wins 9th BR flag in 10 years

GEAA clinched its ninth National Division pennant in 10 years and Western Mass. Supply extended its hold on the American Division lead last night in Babe Ruth League action.

A two-hitter by Pete Gagne and three hits apiece by Tony Sinico and Bob Horne paced GEAA as it clubbed second-place O'Connell Cadillac - Olds 14-3. One of Sinico's hits was a home run. The game was called because of darkness after six innings.

A bases-loaded double with two outs by Paul Stockley broke a 3-3 tie in the sixth as Western Mass. Supply knocked off the VFW 7-3. Stockley then came on to strike out the last four VFW batters in relief of winning pitcher Paul Lysonski. VFW managed only three hits all night.

In Babe Ruth activity this evening, Besse-Clarke plays IUE Local 254 at 6 p.m. at North Junior High, while IUE Local 255 tangles with Itam Lodge at Deming Park.

AUG 8 1973 Itam only BRL winner

Itam Lodge defeated IUE 255, 16-9, and Besse-Clarke and IUE 254 played to a 2-2 tie in Babe Ruth League games last night. Both contests were called because of darkness.

Mark Sheran hit his fourth home run of the year and a single and Mitch Wood had three hits to lead Itam. Steve Sweeney and Jody DiMassimo had two hits each. Tom Farrell was the winning pitcher.

Tom Bowler and Dick Kowalczyk were two-hit performers for IUE 254. Bob Mahoney of the winners and Steve Gardner and Bowler of the union team hit triples. Bruce Linker was the losing pitcher in the abbreviated game, called after five innings.

Tim Carroll of Besse-Clarke allowed four hits and fanned six, and Dan Broderick and Gary Barcher combined to hurl for Local 254. Carroll and Jim Troy of IUE had two hits apiece. Rick Pearce walked three times and scored both of Besse's runs and also had six assists at shortstop.

The game was stopped with

one out in the seventh.

VFW will meet Western Mass. Supply at North Junior High field, and O'Connell Cadillac will play Lipton Oil at Deming field in tonight's games. Both will start at 6.

IUE 254 contender for BR title

IUE 254 remained in contention for the American League championship in Babe Ruth action last night. The union team thrashed Adams Super Markets, 16-2, at North field. In the National division, the Irish American Club downed IUE 255, 10-3 at Deming.

Four double plays by Local 254 backed Gary Barcher's five hitter. He struck out seven.

Top hitters were Bobby Loehr, three hits and four RBIs, and Jimmy Troy, two hits and three RBIs, for Local, and Jackie Flynn, two-for-two, for the losers.

Rob Turner, the third Irish pitcher, picked up the victory and had a triple and single. The winners Ed Filiault with a triple and single, and Joe Yannoni's three hits for Local 255 were other good performances.

Local 255 ended its season with a 4-11 record.

Tonight's games match Lipton Oil and Itam Lodge, and Comet Jewelers and Besse Clarke. The latter game is scheduled to start 15 minutes earlier than usual at 5:45.

AUG 14 1973

AUG 17 1973 W. Mass. clinches BRL tie

Western Massachusetts Supply clinched a tie for first place in the American Babe Ruth League with an 8-6 victory over Adams Super Market. The game was called after 5½ innings because of darkness.

Western Massachusetts Supply took an 8-0 lead behind the clutch hitting of Paul Stockley and Paul Lysonski. Each had a double and a single and three RBIs.

Winning pitcher Steve Shea had a no-hitter for 4½ innings and ended with eight strikeouts.

Adams scored six times in the sixth and left the tying runs on second and third. Rick Flynn had two hits for the losers.

Comet Jewelers will oppose Besse-Clarke tonight at 5:45.

AUG 18 1973 Besse's in win over Comet team

GEAA beats
Irish Americans;
two games today

Besse Clarke downed Comet Jewelers 5-3 in a Babe Ruth League game called after five innings last night because of darkness.

Mark Dunn was the winning pitcher, allowing just three hits and striking out five. He and Timmy Carroll paced the hitting attack with a single and double apiece.

In a game played Thursday night, GEAA defeated the Irish Americans 8-7 in six innings. Tony Sinico tripled in the tying runs and scored the winner himself on a wild pitch by losing pitcher Pete Brown.

Sinico and Brown had two hits each for their respective teams.

This morning at 10, IUE 254 will meet Western Mass. Supply. At 1 p.m., Besse Clarke will play Adams Super Markets.

AUG 22 1973 Local 254 sacks VFW in finale

IUE Local 254 sent 24 men to bat in the first inning of its final Babe Ruth American League game of the regular season last night and scored 19 times before the VFW could retire the side. After four more innings the contest was mercifully called via the 15-run rule, with the score 29-3.

The Locals, who finished the schedule with an 11-3 record, strafed Veteran pitching for 18 hits, including four singles by Jeff Brothers and a pair of doubles by Danny Broderick. Broderick led the winners in runs batted in with four.

Ron Navroske was the winning hurler for IUE, giving up only two hits. The VFW did what scoring it could manage in the fifth frame, paced by a two-run triple by Mike LaRochelle.

AUG 20 1973 WMS takes 3rd straight BR pennant

Ten errors mark
12-10 comeback
win over Local 254

Western Massachusetts Supply won its third American Division Babe Ruth title in three years Saturday in an error-filled 12-10 victory over IUE Local 254.

Ten errors, six by Western Mass. and four by the Locals, marked the contest as the Suppliers overcame a 7-0 IUE lead in the second inning by combining five hits with 12 walks. Each team had seven unearned runs.

Pete Pellegrinelli had two singles and a double, and Paul Lysonski delivered a bases-loaded double to spark the winners' attack. IUE pitcher Danny Broderick tripled and singled for four runs batted in, and Bobby Loehr added two hits for a pair of RBIs.

The Suppliers' Lysonski was the winning pitcher, coming on in relief of starting hurler Paul Stockley after the Locals had raked Stockley for five hits and seven runs in the first two innings. Lysonski went on to scatter three hits and yield only three unearned runs.

In other Babe Ruth American action Saturday, Adams Super Market held off a six-run, seventh-inning rally by Besse-Clarke to win 7-6.

Winning pitcher Vin Barabrotta had a two-hit shutout in the works until the seventh, when Besse exploded. Adams won the game with only three hits, but stole 11 bases to help out men in scoring position.

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Babe Ruth city series tomorrow

Western Mass.
Supply takes on
GEAA in replay

Western Mass. Supply, the Babe Ruth American League pennant winner, and GEAA, the National division champion, will play off for the city championship in a two-out-of-three game series starting tomorrow at Clapp Park.

The Suppliers, coached by Fran Woodin and Tom Bauwens, are the defending city champs having defeated GEAA in the series last year. They also won the title in 1970.

GEAA, with Lou Orazio Sr. and Lou Jr. at the helm, has won the National League flag nine out of the last 10 years.

Both teams finished at the top of their divisions with 12-2 records. They will come into the playoffs with healthy squads, with the exception of GEAA's Pete Gagne, the regular catcher and second pitcher, who broke his jaw in a recent game with Union Federal.

The series starts tomorrow at Clapp at 5 p.m., with the second game scheduled for Saturday afternoon at 1:30, and the third game, if necessary, set for Sunday at 1:30.

AUG 10 1973 Jewelers polish off VFW 15-0

John Schneider tripled in the 13th, 14th and 15th runs for Comet Jewelers last night in the Babe Ruth American League to clinch victory over the VFW by virtue of the 15-run lead rule.

The rule says that any team building up a lead of 15 runs or more will automatically win and the game will be ended, and thanks to the three-hit pitching of John Murphy and a solid Comet defense, 15 runs were all it took.

Joining Schneider on offense were Murphy, with two hits and a pair of runs batted in, Joe Murphy with four hits and Wayne Murphy with three. It was a strong night for the Murphys.

In the National League, John Stinson cracked a home run and Fred Rivelli picked up the win as Lipton Oil knocked off O'Connell's Cadillac-Olds, 11-6, in a game called because of darkness.

Jim Pelky and Stinson both had two hits for the winners, while losing pitcher Joe Seckler also had two hits. Jim Penna and Mark Bushey of the Oilers and Gary Fiero of the Caddies had triples.

In games tonight, Union Federal plays GEAA in the National, and Western Mass. takes on GE in the American.

Ruth league schedules two games

After rain forced postponement of last night's games, Babe Ruth League action will resume tonight with contests at Deming and North Junior High fields.

GEAA and Irish-American Club will play at Deming, and Western Mass. Supply and Adams Super Markets at North.

Last night's scheduled National League game between O'Connell's and Union Federal will be made up Saturday morning at 10. The American Division game between VFW and GE has been reset for Wednesday at 5:45.

AUG 16 1973

AUG 14 1973 WMS, GEAA Babe Ruth Winners

Supplmen hold
1st place after
rally and 11-2 win

Western Mass Supply strengthened its hold on first place with an 11-2 victory over GE, and GEAA beat Union Federal, 5-2, last night in Babe Ruth League games at North and Deming fields.

Both contests had to be curtailed because of the darkness, the Western Mass game after five innings, and the GEAA after six.

Western Mass broke open a 1-1 game with a ten-run outburst in the 4th inning, resulting from eight walks combined with two GE errors, and only two hits. Steve Shea was the winning pitcher, striking out six and allowing three hits.

Pete Pellegrinelli had two of the winners' four hits. Mike Anello had a triple for the losers. Pete O'Brien was the losing pitcher.

At Deming, winning pitcher Paul Daley, Mike Ryan, and Dave DiNicola each pitched two innings, and gave up a total of four hits, two earned runs, six walks, and 11 strikeouts.

Losing pitcher Mike Quadrozzi went the distance and allowed four hits, one earned run, four walks, and 11 strikeouts.

Dennis Messana of the winners and Quadrozzi of the losers each had a pair of their team's four hits. GEAA's Pete Gagne was hit on the jaw by a fast ball in the second inning and had to be taken to the hospital.

AUG 22 1973 Cadillac tops Federal 23-8

In the final game of the Babe Ruth Baseball League season Monday, the 15-run rule was invoked as O'Connell Cadillac defeated Union Federal 23-8 in a shortened game.

Gary Davis and Steve Durkee led the winners with three hits apiece. Joe Seckler hurled the five-hit victory and also contributed two hits. John Rapkowitz led Union Federal with two singles.

AUG 15 1973 Oilers end with victory; tie played

Lipton Oil closed out its Babe Ruth League season last night with a 6-3 victory over Itam Lodge at Deming field. Besse-Clarke and Comet Jewelers played to a 5-5 tie in a game called because of darkness after seven innings at North field.

Lipton ended with an 8-6 record, Itam at 7-7.

Jim Penna had three hits including two doubles, and winning pitcher Jim Pelkey had two singles for Lipton's. Steve Sweeney hit a double and single for Itam.

Jeff Altman's two-run triple highlighted the Oilers three-run decisive sixth.

Mark Dunn's bad-hop single in the last inning enabled Besse's to gain the tie. Mike Belair pitched for Besse's, Ed Ferris for the Jewelers. Ferris had a no-hitter through four innings.

Mike Larkin, Joe Murphy and Mike Gingras had two hits each for the Jewelers.

Tonight VFW faces GE at North, and O'Connell's meets Union Federal at Deming.

GEAA tops WMS 9-3 in BR series AUG 24 1973

GEAA scored three times in the first inning and took control of a 9-3 victory over Western Mass. Supply yesterday in the first game of the best-of-three Babe Ruth baseball playoff series. The second game is tomorrow at 1:30 at Clapp Park.

Jim Matteodo's two-out double in the first frame drove in the first two runs. Losing pitcher Paul Stockley then wild-pitched a runner in from third base to give GEAA a 3-0 lead. GEAA added a run in the fifth on Tony Sinico's single, an infield hit and a single by Paul Horne.

The North champions put across five runs with two out in the sixth. Sinico delivered a two-run single with the bases loaded, and three more runs followed on two Western Mass. errors.

Winning pitcher Dave DiNicola lost control in the seventh, walking four batters. Stockley's double scored two runs. The final Western Mass. run scored on an infield out.

The score:

GEAA		ab	r	h	po	a	e
LaBarbera, 2b		4	0	0	3	3	0
Ryan, c		3	1	1	6	0	0
Sinico, ss		3	2	2	0	4	0
Pelkey, ss		0	1	0	0	0	0
DiNicola, p		4	2	2	1	2	0
Horne, cf		3	2	1	2	0	0
Matteodo, lf		4	0	3	0	0	0
O'Leary, 1b-rf		3	0	1	0	0	0
Daley, 1b		1	0	1	8	0	0
Messana, rf		1	1	0	0	0	0
Harrington, 3b		3	0	0	1	2	1
Totals		29	9	11	21	11	1

WESTERN MASS		ab	r	h	po	a	e
Knight, 2b		1	0	0	0	0	0
Anderson, 2b		1	0	0	0	0	0
Bertoldi, x		0	0	0	0	0	0
Monterosso, 1b		3	0	1	7	0	0
Curley, xx		1	1	0	0	0	0
Pellegrinelli, c		2	1	0	7	1	0
Stockley, p		4	0	2	0	0	0
Lyonski, ss		3	0	0	1	0	1
Greenleaf, 3b		3	0	0	0	4	0
Cronin, lf		2	0	0	1	0	0
Milesi, xxx		0	0	0	0	0	0
Vuillemot, lf		1	0	0	2	0	0
Shea, cf		2	0	0	0	0	1
Bell, rf		2	0	1	0	0	0
Plankey, z		0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals		25	3	4	18	5	2

x Walked for Anderson in 7th

xx Hit into force play for Monterosso in 7th

xxx Walked for Cronin in the 6th

z Walked for Bell in 7th

GEAA 300 015 x - 9

WMS 000 000 3 - 3

DP—Pellegrinelli to Monterosso, Sinico

to LaBarbera to Daley; LOB—GEAA 8,

WME, 10; RBI—Matteodo (3) Stockley

(2) Sinico (2) Horne, O'Leary, Greenleaf;

2B—Stockley, Matteodo; SB—Sinico (2)

DiNicola, Horne; S—O'Leary

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DiNicola (W) 7 4 3 3 9 4

Stockley (L) 6 11 9 6 5 6

T—2 hrs., 10 mins; WP—Stockley (2)

UMPIRES: Kearns, Mayew, Messer



GEAA TEAM, champion of the Pittsfield Babe Ruth baseball league, clinched title by downing Western Mass. Electric in two straight playoff games. In first row, from left, are Paul Dondi, Frank Pelkey, Tim Colbert, Dennis Messana, Dale Harrington, Jim Matteodo;

second row, Bob Horne, Kevin O'Leary, Mike Ryan, Dave DiNicola, Doug LaBarbera; third row, Lou Orazio Jr., Darryl Harrington, Paul Daley, Tony Sinico, coach Lou Orazio Sr. Missing when picture was taken was Pete Gagne.

GEAA tops WMEC for Ruth title

**Daley pitches
and hits well;
Shea standout**

GEAA clinched the Babe Ruth title Saturday, defeating Western Mass. Electric Co., 3-1, for its second straight playoff win. Paul Daley pitched the win for GEAA. Daley allowed only three hits and struck out nine, but walked 10. Western Mass. left 11 men on base.

Western Mass. scored its run in the second run in the second inning. Paul Lyonski walked, and Mike Greenleaf advanced him with a single. Daley's balk advanced the runners to third and second. Lyonski scored on a wild pitch.

GEAA went ahead in the sixth. With one out Dave DiNicola singled. When Dave Horne's attempted hit-and-run grounder was messed up in the infield, DiNicola raced to third. Horne stole second. Catcher Pete Pellegrinelli's throw went into centerfield. DiNicola scored and Horne advanced to third. Horne was out at the plate on John O'Leary's ground ball to shortstop Paul Stockley. Daley's triple to right scored O'Leary.

GEAA scored its final run in the seventh. With two out Mike Ryan, Jim Matteodo and DiNicola singled in succession for the run.

Western Mass. center fielder Steve Shea starred on defense with three assists. Shea threw out two runners at the plate and another trying to stretch a single.

The score:

GEAA		ab	r	h	po	a	e
LaBarbera, 2b		3	0	2	1	1	1
Ryan, c		4	1	1	10	0	0
Matteodo, lf		4	0	1	1	0	0
DiNicola, ss		4	1	3	2	2	0
Horne, cf		4	0	0	0	0	0
O'Leary, 1b		3	1	1	4	0	0
Daley, p		3	0	2	1	1	0
Harrington, 3b		3	0	0	2	3	0
Messana, rf		1	0	0	0	0	0
Sinico, rf		2	0	1	0	0	0
Totals		31	3	11	21	7	1

WESTERN MASS		ab	r	h	po	a	e
Shea, cf		3	0	1	1	3	0
Monterosso, 1b		3	0	0	9	0	0
Pellegrinelli, c		2	0	1	6	0	1
Stockley, ss		4	0	0	2	5	0
Lyonski, p		1	1	0	0	0	0
Greenleaf, 3b		4	0	1	2	6	1
Milesi, rf		2	0	0	0	0	1
Bell, rf		1	0	0	0	0	0
Vuillemot, rf		0	0	0	0	0	0
Cronin, lf		2	0	0	0	0	0
Plankey, 2b		1	0	0	1	0	1
Bertoldi, x		0	0	0	0	0	0
Knight, 2b		0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals		23	1	3	21	14	4

x Ran for Plankey in 6th.

GEAA 000 002 1 - 3

WMS 010 000 0 - 1

LOB—GEAA 8, WMS 11; RBI—Daley,

DiNicola; 2B—LaBarbera, Sinico;

3B—Daley; SB—Horne, Shea, Monte-

rosso, Pellegrinelli, Lyonski

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Daley (W) 7 3 1 1 10 9

Lyonski (L) 7 11 3 1 1 3

BALK—Daley 2; Time—2 hours;

WP—Lyonski 1; Daley 2

UMPIRES: Zito, Kearns, Witkowski

SEP 13 1973 Lou Russo to announce on video

Lou Russo, former coach of the Tyler Aces football team, president of the Babe Ruth Baseball League and longtime member of the Park Commission, has been named TV sports announcer for color play-by-play coverage of high school football on Channel 2, Warner Cable. Channel 2 will videotape the game here Saturday between St. Joseph's High and Northampton High. It will be shown Saturday night at 8.

A 10-game schedule has been arranged by the television outlet.

Russo is a former Pittsfield High football player. He was a halfback. Russo, 55, is a General Electric Co. employee who lives at 131 Ridgeway Ave.

Assisting him will be Taconic High School senior Ed Provencher, who will do color commentary. Peter M. Sulock will be technical director.

Supply team to be feted by sponsor

The Western Mass. Supply Babe Ruth baseball team, Pittsfield League American Division champion this year and city title winner in 1971 and 1972, will be honored at a dinner Wednesday, Sept. 26, at the Highland Restaurant by its sponsor. The dinner is scheduled for 6:30.

Jim O'Brien Sr., president of Western Mass. Supply, will present each of the 15 boys on the team with an inscribed trophy, courtesy of the Babe Ruth League.

The Supplymen, defeated by National Division champ GEAA, for the 1973 city title, compiled a record of 12 wins and 2 losses. In winning its three divisional titles and two city crowns over a three-year span, the club, coached by Fran Woodin and Tom Bauwens, produced an amazing win-loss record of 40-9.

Members of this year's team were Steve Cronin, Mike Greenleaf, Paul Lyonski, Tony Monterosso, Pete Pellegrinelli, John Anderson, Pete Bell, Dan Milesi, Steve Shea, Paul Stockley, Ed Bertoldi, Paul Curley, Matt Knight, Mike Plankey and John Vuillemot.

Guests at the dinner will include the coaches and their wives; Vin Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation; Lou Russo, Ruth League president; John Marchesi, league secretary; Art Gwinnell, league manager; Bill Mahan of The Berkshire Eagle; and local sportscasters Jim Gunion of WBEC and Pat McKernan of WBRK.

Parents, relatives and friends of the players will also attend.

SEP 18 1973

SEP 28 1973

W.M. Supply Babe Ruth team feted

About 80 attend dinner honoring division champs

The Babe Ruth League American Division champion Western Mass. Supply baseball team was honored by its sponsor at a dinner Wednesday night at Highland Hall. It was the third straight year the team was feted for winning its division. The club was beaten out for the city title this season by GEAA after taking the city honors for the past two campaigns. About 80, including relatives and friends of the players, attended.

Speakers were Mayor Donald Butler; Jim O'Brien, owner of Western Mass. Supply; Jim O'Brien Jr., who is associated with his father in the business, coach Fran Woodin, who was master of ceremonies; assistant coach Tom Bauwens; league president Louis Russo; league manager Art Gwinnell; WBEC sports director Jim Guinan and Berkshire Eagle sportswriter Bill Mahan. All the speakers congratulated the team and lauded the players and coaches for their hard work and dedication. O'Brien and Western Mass. Supply were praised for many years of sponsorship of youth athletic teams in the city.

Vin Hebert, superintendent of the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation, and John Marchesi, director of recreation, sent their regrets at being unable to attend because of previous commitments.

The mayor presented the trophies to the players. Team members were Ed Bertoldi, Paul Curley, Matt Knight, Mike Plankey, John Vuilleumot, John Anderson, Peter Bell, Steve Shea, Paul Stockley, Steve Cronin, Mike Greenleaf, Paul Lyonski, Tony Monterosso, Peter Pellegrinelli and Dan Milesi, who was absent because of a death in his family.

Pellegrinelli led the league with a .676 batting average, believed to be the highest ever for the local league.

The team members presented gifts to the coaches and their wives. The coaches received lighters and their wives, charm bracelets with baseballs attached.

BRL

Rick Lisi is cited for baseball play

Rick Lisi, Pittsfield High third baseman has been notified that he has been selected on the All-District I team picked by the high school division of the American Association of College Baseball Coaches. The Worth Bat Co. of Tullahoma, Tenn., makes the awards.

Lisi, a senior, also plays football and basketball. His placement point Saturday gave unbeaten PHS a 7-6 win over Christian Brothers Academy of Albany.

GEAA fetes pair of title teams

Two teams will be honored at a dinner Friday night at 6:30 at the General Electric Athletic Association. They will be the winners of the GEAA's Fast-Pitch Softball League and its city championship team in the Babe Ruth Baseball League.

IUE Local 255 won the softball league crown for the second consecutive year and also went through the playoffs without a loss, defeating the Brewers 7-2 in finals.

The GEAA Babe Ruth champions, coached by Lou Orazio Jr. and Lou Orazio Sr. won the National League title nine out of the last 10 years. It took the city title twice in that time, beating Western Mass. Electric 3-1 in this season's finals.

Paul Robinson, president of the GEAA, is chairman of the affair. Guests expected to attend are Louis Russo, president of the Babe Ruth League, Bob Scott, president of Local 255, and John Marchesi, director of recreation for the Park Department.

A spaghetti and meatball dinner will be served. Trophies will be awarded to both teams. A sports movie will follow.

Tickets are available at the GEAA or may be obtained at the door Friday.

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GE announces schedule for 1974 vacations

General Electric's 1974 vacation shutdown will begin Monday, July 22, and end Monday, Aug. 5, the company announced today.

Pittsfield businesses observing the two-week shutdown will be the distribution transformer department, the power transformer department, the protective equipment products department, the power transformer department and the relations and utilities operation.

Plastics department manufacturing operations will have a separate shutdown, scheduled to meet the needs of customers.

The company's new contract with its unions provides two vacation improvements. After five years' service, an employee gets 2½ weeks of vacation. After 25 years, an employee gets five weeks.

OCT 6 1973



MAJOR LEAGUER Tommy Grieve made the presentation last night as the Babe Ruth League honored its most valuable player. Grieve is shown presenting the award to Anthony Sinico at the GEAA club house. Also present were (left to right) John Marchesi, director of

parks and recreation; Lou Orazio Jr., Babe Ruth League head coach; Lou Russo, president of the league; and, Paul Robinson, president of GEAA. Grieve, outfielder for the Texas Rangers, played Babe Ruth League ball here.

Paul Rocheleau

BRL

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SECOND-PLACE FINISHER in the Hall of Fame poll, Tony Nugai, center, is congratulated by Henry Marchisio, president of the Monday Morning Quarterbacks' Club, after the voting had ended last night. Tony's son, Scott, 13, looks on. Dan O'Brien, former St. Joseph's High star, was the winner. Nugai captained the 1950 Pittsfield High team. Tony Gibson was third.

Joel Librizzi

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Joel Librizzi

BABE RUTH LEAGUE AWARDS for the past season are presented to the winners at Springside House. Left to right are Paul Brindle III, Pete Pellegrinelli, Rick Flynn, Dave DiNicola, Colin Keegan and Lou Russo, president of the league. Pellegrinelli is getting the

Paul Brindle Jr. award for the highest batting average. Flynn and DiNicola are the recipients of the Colin Keegan sportsmanship awards for each division of the league. Pellegrinelli's .676 batting mark was the best in the BRL's 20-year history here.

DEC 29 1974

Vincent calls for investigation of pollution in Pontoosuc Lake

County Commissioner Harry W. Vincent Jr. wants county engineers to study pollution problems in Pontoosuc Lake and wants the Commissioners to consider using future revenue-sharing funds for sewer installation there.

Vincent's desires are set forth in a list of recommendations made this week, some of which have sparked angry reactions.

One demand is that the county engineers submit a weekly work agenda to the Commissioners, giving project and man-hours utilized.

Most of the others deal specifically with Pontoosuc Lake. The revenue-sharing proposal is one in which Vincent wants a "unified effort among Lanesboro, Pittsfield, the county and appropriate state agencies."

He indicated that he has received complaints that pollution is coming from Town and Secum brooks in Lanesboro into the county-controlled lake.

County Engineer William A. Heaphy said the demand for a weekly work agenda took him by surprise. "I don't know what

got Harry so excited," he said. "All requests for engineering aid come from the towns and cities directly to the Commissioners and the Commissioners authorize us to do the work."

However, requests for Chapter 90 and related state road engineering projects go directly to the county engineering office from the state Department of Public Works' state aid engineer, Myles Stevens, Heaphy said.

He also said it is impossible to list man-hours on given projects because staff men sometimes work on separate projects at the same time; for example, in searching records at registries of deeds.

But Vincent said the lack of information about the engineering staff's projects is a source of frustration.

Information necessary

"It's not a businesslike way to run an operation," he said, adding that a survey of Pontoosuc is needed but can't be scheduled because the Commissioners aren't told what jobs the engi-

neers have under way.

As for pollution, Lanesboro Selectman Burton B. Robinson Jr. said there is little if any at the lake. "The county engineers went around the (Lanesboro) end two or three years ago and found nothing except some storm drain pipes, which is an entirely different thing than sewer outlets."

If there is a problem, he said, it is from detergent phosphates and nitrates which cause weed growth. "This is a problem wherever there are houses with septic tanks, and everyone knows there are septic tanks around Pontoosuc, both in Lanesboro and Pittsfield."

Robinson said Lanesboro has been trying to develop a financially feasible sewage program for the portion of the lake that's in Lanesboro, "but we're not going to bankrupt the town to do it."

He said the town would welcome any constructive aid but is weary of criticism. "Every time there is a claim of pollution, it's always Lanesboro that takes the rap," he said.

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B+ Pools

Pool owners in city warned of power hazard

Pittsfield now has more than 500 private swimming pools, and they can pose health and electrocution hazards to unwary owners, according to city officials.

Gordon C. Dennis, senior inspector of wires, warns that pools that aren't equipped with a special safety device called a ground fault interrupter can cause lethal shocks.

And Louis A. Bolduc, chief city sanitarian, says owners who don't make sure their pools are properly disinfected run the risk of spreading infection or disease.

The Health Department has prepared a home swimming pool sanitation guide that can be hung near the pool for easy reference. It is available free from that department in City Hall.

Backyard pool installations, both in-ground and above-ground, have increased tremendously in the last several years.

City water engineer Lewis Newbill says his department knows of about 530 pools —

that's one pool for every 36 dwelling units — and suspects there may be others. The city requires permits for both types of pools and charges \$9 a year for the extra water they use.

Small electric leakages from pump motors, poolside appliances, lights, wiring and other equipment can kill pool users if they aren't protected by a ground fault interrupter, Dennis said.

These relatively inexpensive hookups have been required by state code since 1971. But Dennis worries about those with older pools and those who installed pools without obtaining the required permits.

The threat exists for both in-ground and above-ground pools, he said. Fuse boxes or circuit breakers don't provide the protection, he said.

The Health Department's pool sanitation and safety guide was printed on cardboard sheets by the staff and students in the printing department of Taconic High School.

JUN 12 1973

Beaches unguarded until Thursday

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert today warned parents that the beaches at Pontoosuc and Onota lakes will not be supervised by lifeguards until Thursday.

He said that a number of young people have been swimming in the unguarded lakes and that he is concerned about their safety.

Hebert also said vandals have damaged the bath house at Onota Lake.

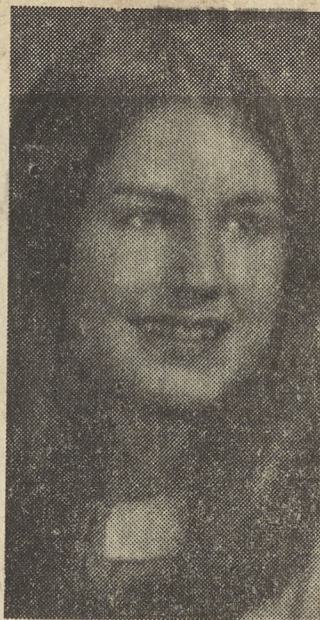
No bids received for Pontoosuc stand

There are no bidders to run the concession stand at Pontoosuc Lake this year, Vincent J. Hebert, park superintendent, said Tuesday.

Hebert said no one responded to the advertisements for the job. Anyone interested may contact the Park Department, he said.

JUN 12 1973

Miss O'Neal again heads swim program



Miss Gail O'Neal

Miss Gail O'Neal, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O'Neal of 74 Broad St., will again be the chief swimming instructor for the summer program conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Miss O'Neal, a 1971 graduate of St. Joseph's High School, is a junior at Salem State College. In past years, she has participated in volunteer swimming instruction programs at the Girls Club and has worked on the Park Department's aquatic staff. This will be her third year as head of the swimming program.

She received her water safety instructor's certificate under the direction of Leo Fiorini, chairman of the Berkshire County aquatics program for the American Red Cross.

Registration for the first series of lessons will take place Monday and Tuesday at the department office at 874 North St. from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 to 4 p.m. Children must be at least 6 years of age and be a resident of Pittsfield, department officials said. Registration may be made in person or by calling the office.

Classes will begin Monday, June 18, and run for a three-week period. Each youngster must bring a signed permission blank, as published below.

Swimming Permission Blank

I hereby give permission to _____ to participate in the swimming or lifesaving classes to be conducted by the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation.

Signature of parent or guardian

Registration for swimming may be made either at Spring-side House or by calling 448-8274. Signed blanks should be brought to class.

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JUN 14 1973

Vandals hit Onota beach

Vandals struck for the fourth time since mid-May on Thursday night at the Onota Lake public beach and bathhouse.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, said the wrongdoers smashed in the main bathhouse door, damaged the cash box and scattered picnic permit and reservation slips.

Elsewhere at the beach, Hebert said, a lifeguard chair was wrecked, the ramp for lifeguard boats was damaged and the cover over the water fountain was ripped off.

A water fountain was also reported broken last night at Wahconah Park.

Registration set for swim lessons

Registration for swimming lessons will take place Thursday and Friday, Miss Gail O'Neal, water safety instructor for the Department of Parks and Recreation, announced today.

The registration will be from 10 a.m. to noon at the bathhouses at Pontoosuc and Onota lakes. Classes will be for beginners, advanced beginners, intermediates and swimmers.

Lifesaving classes will begin Monday

The Department of Parks and Recreation said today that junior and senior lifesaving classes will begin Monday and run for five weeks.

Participants must be 11 years or older to participate, according to the announcement, and class times will be from 3:30 to 5 Monday through Friday. A water test will be given before acceptance of entrants, and signed parental permission slips are required. The department said persons wanting to register should call Gary Cerreta or Robert Wheeler at 443-9794.

Savoy resident hurt at Onota

A Savoy resident injured in a diving accident at Onota Lake Sunday was admitted to the intensive-care unit of Pittsfield General unit, BMC, where he was reportedly being treated for head injuries.

Lance Krutiak, 22, was taken to the hospital by police ambulance following the 3:30 p.m. accident. Police said he told them he dove into the lake from halfway up a steep embankment and apparently hit a rock.



COOL KIDS greeted the first day of summer yesterday with a timely dip into Portosuc Lake. The public beach at the lake was one of the more popular gathering spots as summer arrived in the Berkshires with customary high temperatures and somewhat oppressive humidity. Showers today were expected to bring cooler temperatures.

Paul Rocheleau

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Springside poolside JUL 14 1973



Joel Librizzi

Beating the heat at Springside Park during this week's hot weather was this gathering of youngsters.

JUL 25 1973 Study planned on pollution at Pontoosuc

State and county engineers will begin a study next week of pollution sources that are apparently causing weed growth in Pontoosuc Lake.

The County Commissioners agreed to the study after a meeting yesterday with William A. Doubleday and R. Joseph Dupuis, engineers with the state Division of Water Pollution Control.

Chemical treatment twice in two years has failed to block proliferation of the weeds, the engineers said. County Commission Chairman James A. Bowes today called the weed problem "a bad condition" and said lakefront residents have voiced many complaints about it.

JUL 25 1973 Registration set for swimming classes

The third session this summer of Red Cross swimming instruction will run from next Monday to Aug. 17. Participants may register Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to noon at Pontoosuc Lake.

The classes are for beginners through swimmers.

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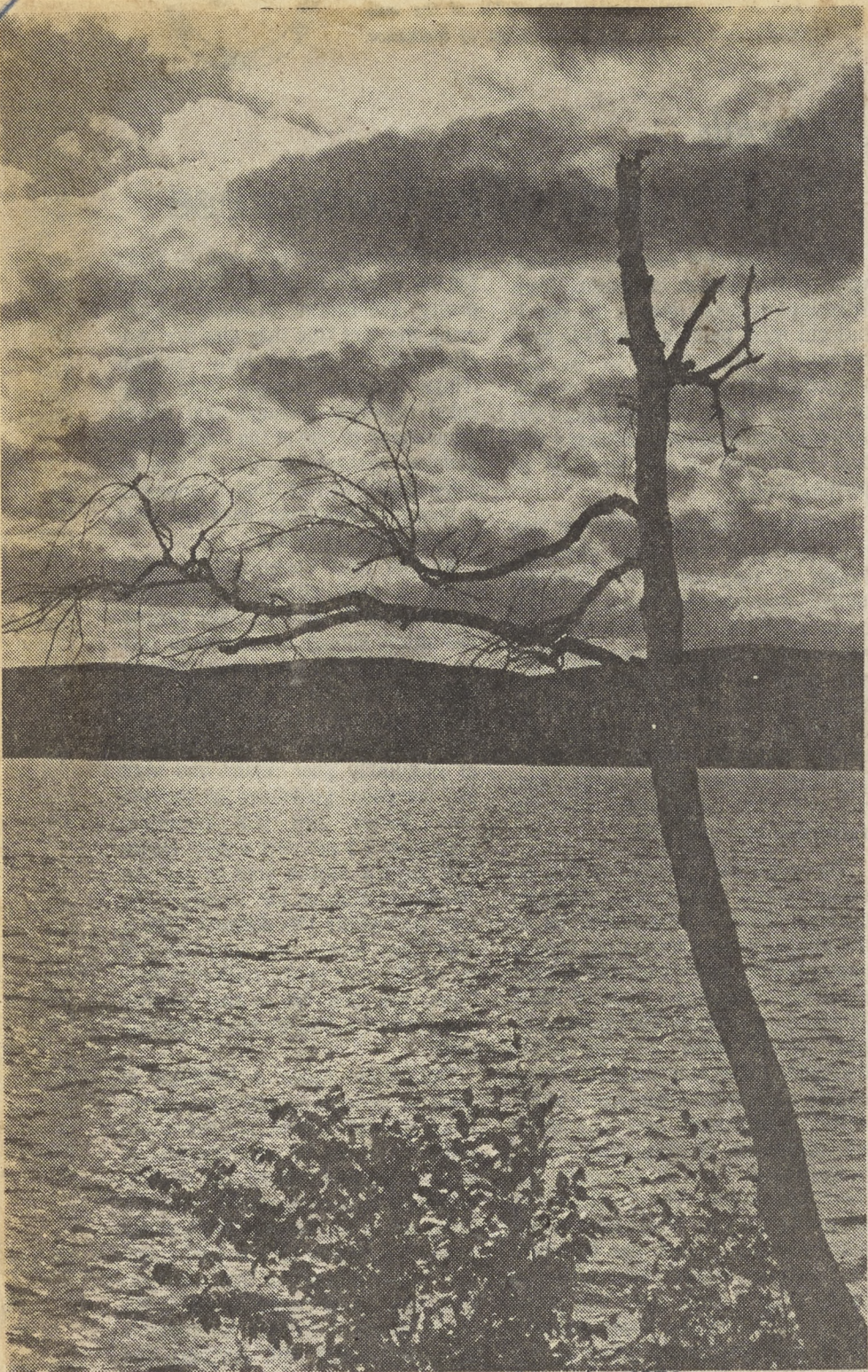
Entry blanks available for city swim meet

Entry blanks for the 28th annual Pittsfield and Berkshire County swimming meet are available at the sponsoring Park Department office, and the Pontoosuc and Onota Lake beachmasters offices.

The event will be Saturday, Aug. 11 at the YMCA's Camp Ponterril Pool, starting at 10 a.m. Entries will close at 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 10.

Twenty-eight events are scheduled for the following age brackets: 8 and under, 10 and under, 11 and 12, 13 and 14, and 15 to 18 for both boys and girls.

The annual meet is cosponsored by the Berkshire Eagle and the Department of Parks and Recreation. First-, second- and third-place awards will be given for each event. Further information may be secured from John Marchesi, director of Recreation for the Park Department.



AUG 4 1973

Anne-Gerard Flynn

EVENING photograph across the waters of Onota Lake reflects the beauty of nature as the sun starts to set, partially veiled behind a covering of clouds.

AUG 7 1973
Swim meet
slates 28
events

Competition is set in 28 events in the 28th annual Pittsfield and Berkshire County swim meet at Ponterrill Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. The event is sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and The Berkshire Eagle.

Entry blanks are available at the Park Department office at 874 North St. and the beachmasters' offices at Pontoosuc and Onota lakes. The deadline for all entries is Friday at 5 p.m.

Boys and girls in the 8-and-under division will compete in the 25-yard freestyle. Midget competition (8-10) is scheduled in the 25-yard freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke.

Junior boys and girls (11-12) will compete in the 50-yard freestyle, backstroke and breaststroke; intermediates (13-14), 100-yard freestyle and 50-yard backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly; and seniors (15-18), 100-yard freestyle, breaststroke and backstroke.

Awards will be presented to top three finishers in each race.

AUG 10 1973
Swim meet
field more
than 175

More than 175 entries have been submitted for the annual Pittsfield and Berkshire County swim meet, sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and The Berkshire Eagle, tomorrow at 10 a.m. at the Camp Ponterrill outdoor pool off East Acres Road. Mayor Donald G. Butler or City Council President John Fraser and John C. Curletti, chairman of the Park Commission, will welcome the competitors.

John C. Marchesi, director of recreation for the Park Department, will have charge of the meet, assisted by Bruce Robertson, department coordinator, and Gary Cerreta, Robert Wheeler and Martin Eramo of the aquatic staff. Miss Martha Diamond will have charge of publicity.

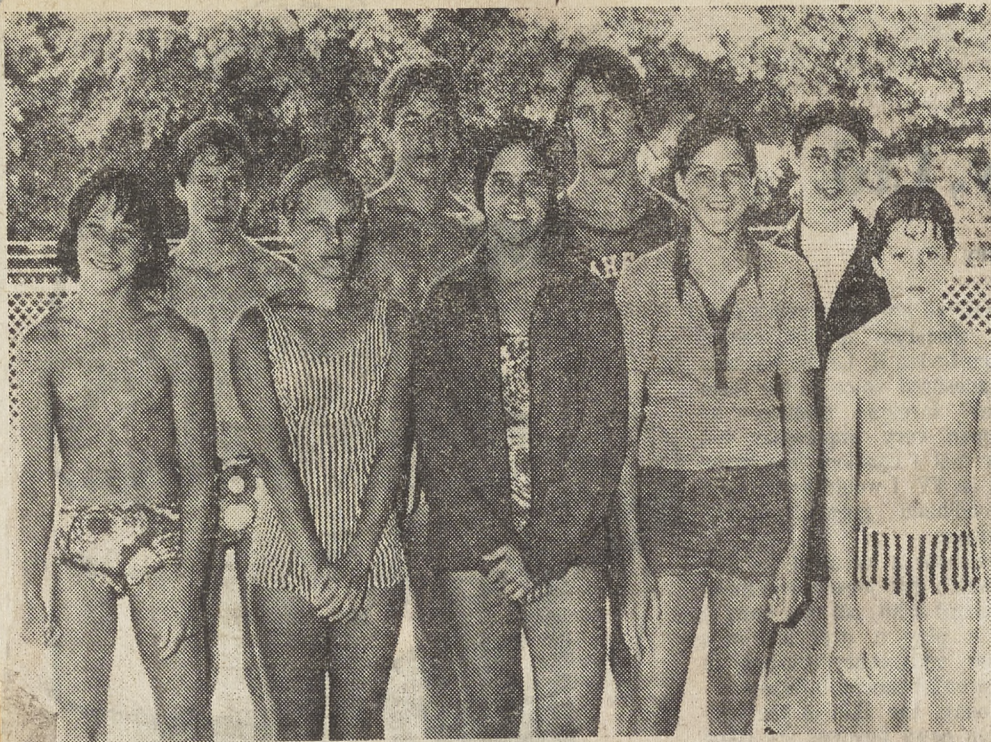
All first- and second-place finishers will be invited to swim for the Park Department at the invitational meet at Springfield College on Monday, Aug. 20, starting at 1 p.m. Wheeler, former Pittsfield High swimming standout, will be assigned again to train the swimmers for the meet.



Dick Gauthier

MULTIPLE WINNERS in the city swim meet at Ponterrill Saturday were the five youngsters pictured above. They are from left: in front, Mary Liz Blowe, Robert Lakowski, and Kathy Carey; and in back row, Jon Burno and Mark Farrell. Each of them captured either two or three medals.

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Dick Gauthier

RECORD BREAKERS in the city swim meet held Saturday at Ponterril got together after races for photographer. They are, in front row (from left) Joe Pivero, Andy Rivers, Barbara Goodrich, Elaine McManus and Robert Lakowski; back row (same order) Jon Burno, John Murray, Ed Corbett and Beth Ford. A large field competed.

Five multiple winners in city swim competition

By Maggie Diamond

Five city youngsters were multiple first-place winners in Pittsfield's 28th annual swim meet held Saturday at Ponterril pool.

Despite a heavy downpour, more than 150 spectators watched as nine records were broken in the competition, co-sponsored by The Berkshire Eagle and the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Multiple first-place winners were Robert Lekowski, Kathleen Carey, Jon Vurno, Kelly McGovern and Mark Farrell. The winners will compete later this month in a Springfield meet.

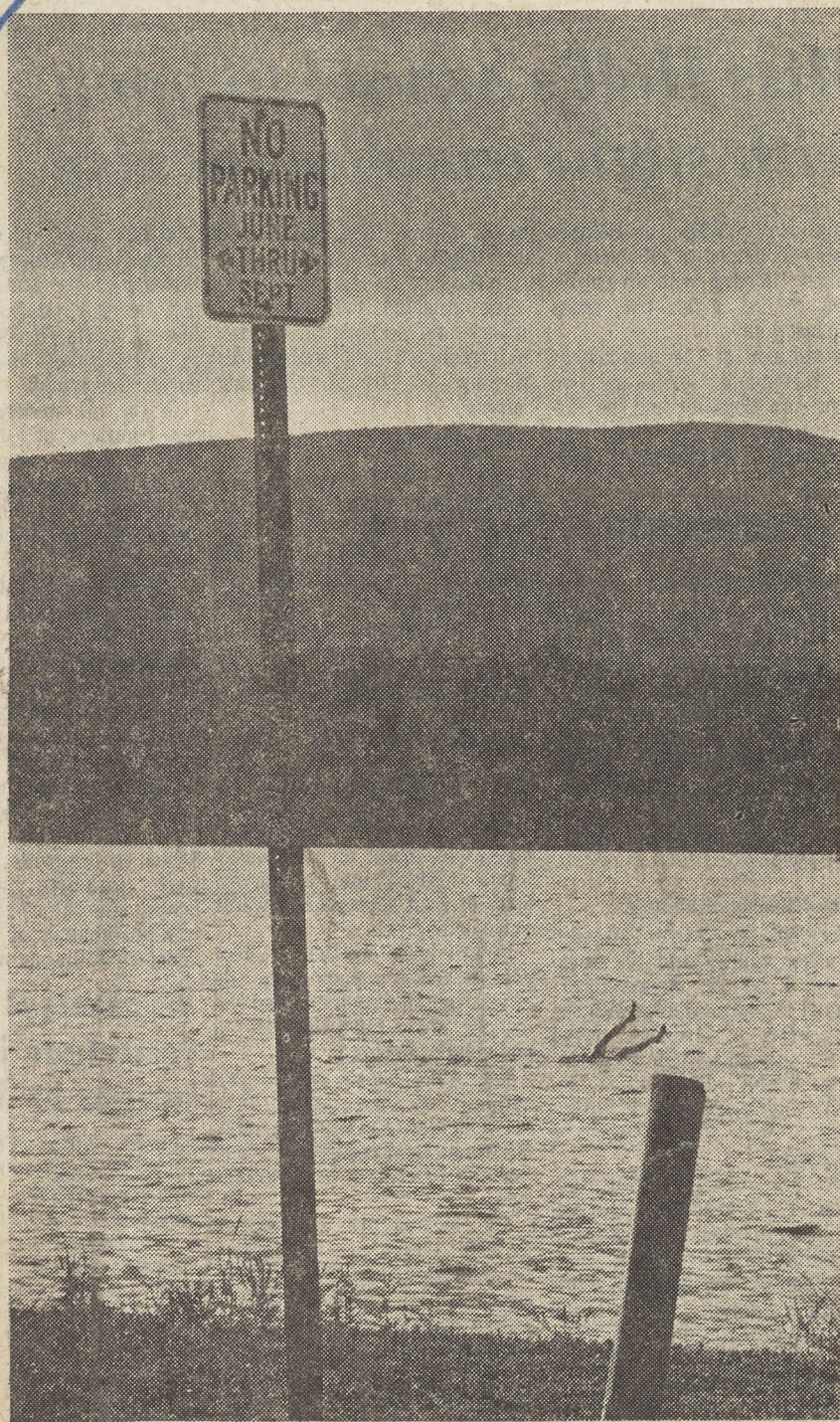
Officials were John Marchesi, director, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goodrich, Eric Winn, Robert Wheeler, Maggie Diamond, Edward Bates, John Bates, Andrea Snell, Floyd Peronto, Bruce Robertson, Peter Pruyn, John Murray, Gary Cerreta, Charles Bunell, Jim Ward, Martin Eramo and Richard Mack.

The Summary:

Boys, 10 and under, 25-yd. freestyle — 1. Jim Pivero and Joe Bunnell (tie), 2. Robert Lekowski. Time: 15.9.
Girls 10 and under 25-yard freestyle — 1. Kathleen Carey, 2. Amy Peronto, 3. Judy Roe. Time: 16.4.
Boys, 8 and under, 25-yard freestyle — 1. Tod Walchenbach, 2. Patrick McManus and Eddie Carey (tie). Time: 19.4.
Girls, 8 and under, 25-yard freestyle — 1. Catherine Goggins, 2. Amy Allison, 3. Tracy Bruno. Time: 20.3.
Boys, 13-14 years, 50-yard, backstroke

— 1. Mark Farrell, 2. Richard Elgin, 3. John Donovan. Time: 33.0.
Girls, 13-14, 50-yard backstroke — 1. Mary Broderick, 2. Kim Black, 3. Marge Peronto. Time: 34.9.
Boys, 11-12, 50-yard freestyle — 1. Jon Burno, 2. Carter Owen, 3. Craig Milne. Time: 29.7 record.
Girls, 11-12, 50-yard freestyle — 1. Mary Liz Blowe, 2. Kelly McGovern, 3. Kim Gleason. Time: 32.5.
Boys, 15-18, 100-yard backstroke — 1. John Murray, 2. Dennis Bates, 3. Boyd Black. Time: 1:05.5.
Girls, 15-18, 100-yard backstroke — 1. Barbara Goodrich, 2. Elaine McManus. Time: 1:20.1 record.
Boys, 10 and under, 25-yard breaststroke — 1. Bob Lewkowski, 2. Jim Pivero, 3. Chris Wheeler. Time: 22.1.
Girls, 10 and under 25-yard breaststroke — 1. Kathleen Carey and Mickie Gleason (tie), 2. Amy Peronto. Time: 22.7.
Boys, 11-12 years, 50-yard backstroke — 1. Jon Burno, 2. Keith Fleming, 3. Joe Pivero. Time: 34.8 record.
Girls, 11-12 years, 50-yard backstroke — 1. Kelly McGovern, 2. Kim Gleason, 3. Mary Liz Blowe. Time: 40.8.
Boys, 13-14, 50-yard butterfly — 1. John Dellea, 2. Carty Owen, 3. Mark Francis. Time: 34.3.
Girls, 13-14, 50-yard butterfly — 1. Marge Peronto, 2. Mary Broderick, 3. Meg Gleason. Time: 33.7.
Boys, 15-18, 100-yard breaststroke — 1. Edward Corbett, 2. Boyd Black, 3. John Papiro. Time: 1:12.3 record.
Girls, 15-18, 100-yard breaststroke — 1. Elaine McManus, 2. Barbara Donovan, 3. Colleen Quinn. Time: 1:26.2 record.
Boys, 10 and under, 25-yard backstroke — 1. Bob Lekowski, 2. Joe Bunnell, 3. Jim Pivero. Time: 18.7 record.
Girls, 10 and under 25-yard backstroke — 1. Kathleen Carey, 2. Judy Roe, 3. Jeanne Garcia. Time: 21.1.
Boys, 13-14 years, 50-yard breaststroke — 1. Mark Farrell, 2. Rick Elgin, 3. John Dellea. Time: 37.5.
Girls, 13-14, 50-yard breaststroke — 1. Audri Rivers, 2. Marge Peronto, 3. Kathleen McManus and Sharon Donovan (tie). Time: 39.1 record.
Boys, 11-12, 50 yard breaststroke — 1. Joe Pivero, 2. David Lloyd, 3. Carter Owens. Time: 42.2 record.
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Girls, 11-12, 50-yard breaststroke — 1. Mary Liz Blowe, 2. Sheila Broderick, 3. MarBeth McManus. (no time).
Boys, 13-14, 100-yard freestyle — 1. Rick Elgin, 2. John Condon, 3. Doug Ward. Time: 1:07.9.
Girls, 13-14, 100-yard freestyle — 1. Meg Gleason, 2. Janet Wheeler, 3. Anne Broderick. Time: 1:10.3.
Boys, 15-18, 100-yard freestyle — 1. Tom Broderick, 2. Dennis Bates, 3. Bill Dellea. Time: 56.4.
Girls, 15-18, 100-yard freestyle — 1. Beth Ford, 2. Barbara Donovan, 3. Barbara Goodrich. Time: 1:06.8 record.

SEP 8 1973



Almost Over

The swimming season corresponds to the dates on this sign at Onota Lake, more or less. Fall is in the air

Snug harbor SEP 8 1973



Jurgen Thomas

The sailboat fleet is at anchor on Pontoosuc Lake. The view shows Greylock in the distance.

JUN 15 1973

Flea baseball registration will be held Monday

Registration for the Department of Parks and Recreation Flea League baseball program for boys and girls will be held on Monday at Clapp Park Little League field starting at 10 a.m.

Boys and girls 8 through 12 years of age who do not participate in Little League or Minor League are eligible regardless of where they live in the city.

Games will be played at Clapp Park Monday through Thursday from 10 to 12 noon. The league provides the fundamentals of baseball to the boys and girls who are selected.

Tryouts will be held Monday through Thursday, starting June 18, from 10 to noon. Boys and girls will be placed on teams on Friday, June 22, provided they make 50 per cent of the tryouts.

The equipment and supervision will be supplied by the Park Department but players are asked to bring their own gloves.

Last year the league had six teams consisting of 120 boys and four teams consisting of 74 girls.

Further information may be obtained from the Park Department, 874 North St.

TV sports show on Channel 2 tonight at 8

Same Levine's weekly Channel 2 television sports program will be shown tonight at 8 instead of Wednesday night, its usual time. The change was made because of July 4th activities. The program will be aired live tonight and on tape Thursday morning at 10.

Guests tonight will be Harry "Stuffy" McGinnis, director of the Pittsfield Parks Department Flea Baseball League, and players Tom Ryan and Kathy Mele. McGinnis will explain the Flea League program and Ryan and Kathy will talk about the boys' and girls' leagues.

Cohost Robert Levine will report on the Babe Ruth baseball playoffs and the activities of the Little League, Paul Brindle League and Minor League.

JUL 3 1 1973 FLEA LEAGUE

Aces will carry good bat into playoffs, led by Lisi

The Tyler Aces of this city will take a team batting average of .274 into the American Legion's Western District playoffs at Szot Park, Chicopee, Saturday. The team won the Berkshire County League with a 12-3 record.

The Aces' offensive credentials are good. They rapped out 109 hits, including an unusually high total of nine home runs. They averaged 5.5 runs through their league season, scoring at least two runs in each game.

Leading batter is Rick Lisi, the highly regarded third baseman. Lisi led the club in batting (.395), hits (21), and runs batted in (15). He hit two home runs. In nine of the 15 games he had at least two hits.

Left fielder Dave Bowerman was second among the regulars in batting with .375, and center fielder-pitcher Dan Cariety third with .347. Bowerman had 18 hits. Cariety drove in 11 runs and led the team with four homers.

Other high averages belong to pitcher-pinch hitter Dave Jensen (.354), right fielder-pitcher Paul Barbas (.300), and pitcher-shortstop Russ Quetti (.295). Barbas, earning a starting job in the fourth game of the season, drove in nine runs while totaling nine hits. He, Bowerman and catcher Dave Matteodo hit the other round trippers.

Quetti compiled a 4-1 record on the mound. Among his wins was a three-hit, 2-1 victory over



Rick Lisi
Aces' hit maker

Bill Mahan

Dalton in the pivotal game of the league season. Jensen was 4-2. He beat Dalton early in the schedule with a nine strikeout, two-hitter. Cariety and Barbas both had 2-0 records.

The Aces will meet Aldenville Post 271 in the tournament. East Springfield and Hadley will play the other game.

PJFL sets registration next week

Registration for the junior football program, which is sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation for boys between age 10 and 13 will be next week. Registrations will close Saturday. A 13 year old must have been born on or after September 1, 1959 or prior to September 1, 1960. The program is for boys living in the City of Pittsfield only.

The registration blank is printed in the Berkshire Eagle today and should be filled out, signed by a parent and mailed to the Department of Parks and Recreation, 874 North Street. The first tryout is scheduled for Monday, August 27, at 6 p.m. at the Common Playground. All boys, who register and are selected to play, must be present for their physicals on Wednesday, August 29, at the Common at 6 p.m.

Anyone interested in coaching or assisting in any capacity may notify the Park Department. Further information may be obtained from John C. Marchesi, director of recreation, at the Park Department office.

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1973 Junior Football League Application Blank

I would like to play in the
JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE
Under the direction of the
Department of Parks and Recreation

Name _____

Age _____ Phone No. _____

Birth date—Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Address _____

I hearby give permission for my son to play in the Junior Football League.

Parent's signature _____

PITTSFIELD JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Parks and Recreation Dept.

874 North St., Pittsfield

AUG 22 1973

SPORTS
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Jr. football sign-up

Registration for the junior football program sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation will close Saturday at 5 p.m. Only 77 boys had registered as of yesterday. Last year more than 250 boys signed up for the program and 210 took part.

The first tryout will be held Monday at 6 p.m. at the Common.

A registration coupon appears below. Boys wishing to play football and are between the ages of 10 and 13 should complete the blank and return it to the Park Department office at Springside House, 874 North St.



Candidates Looks like fall is rushing in on us. At least it is on these lads among several hundred who turned out for football practice this week on the Common.

SEP 1 1973

Punt, pass, kick slated Sept. 29 on the Common

The Ford Motor Co. punt, pass and kick contest will be held on the Common on Saturday morning, Sept. 29 at 9:30.

Entrants must be between 7 and 13 years of age. Separate competition will be held in each age bracket.

Contestants should pick up their registration blanks at Seyffer-Ford at 694 East St. Dick Connor of the Seyffer sales staff again will be in charge.

SEP 14 1973

SEP 21 1973

Junior grid circuit sets openers

Doubleheader slated Sunday at Wahconah Park

The Pittsfield Junior Football Association, sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation, will open its 10th season Sunday with two games at Wahconah Park. The opening game will pit the Lions against the Giants at 12:30. In the second game starting at 1:45 the defending champions Browns will face the Rams.

The "B" squads are scheduled to play their season-openers tomorrow at 10 and 11 a.m., respectively, at North Junior High School field.

All contests will be officiated by members of the Berkshire County Football Officials' Association on a voluntary basis. John Quinlan of the officials' group is a member of the Junior Football Association.

Three head coaches are returning from last year. The Rams will be headed by Charles Kalis, assisted by Edward Messer, Michael Toner and Raymond Battaini. The Browns will be headed by John Castongay, assisted by Michael Lacy, Donald LeBlanc and William Borys. The Giants will have Robert Maher as head coach, assisted by Donald Nelson, William Marcel, Michael Ellery and Kevin Maher.

Louis Bologna is the new head coach of the Lions. He will be assisted by Thomas Guinan, Robert Pinsonneault, David Hornyak and Donald Aderson.

Each team will play six games on a round-robin basis.

SEP 24 1973

Giants, Rams victorious in jr. football opener

In opening day action in the Pittsfield Junior Football League, the Giants humbled the Lions 20-6 and the Rams defeated the Browns 14-0.

Halfback Paul Gregory scored on a 55-yard scamper on the Giants' first play from scrimmage. Tim Colbert then added the two point conversion. The Lions quickly came back when John Betters scored on a 63-yard end around play. The conversion attempt failed.

Just before the half, wishbone fullback Joe Cardillo scored from the two for the Giants. The score was set up by a Colbert to Gregory pass and then a 28 yard run by Gregory.

The half ended with the Giants leading 14-6.

Early in the fourth quarter Gregory made a 50-yard punt return to the Lions' 5. Two plays later, Gregory took it in from the 3. The extra point attempt failed.

Gregory led the winners with six carries for 100 yards. Reserve halfback Kurt Hubbard picked up 14 yards on two carries. John Betters had 63 yards for one carry.

John Donovan and David Montesanti paced the Lion's defensive unit while Joe Cardillo and Jim Smith excelled defensively for the Giants.

Shane McCologan's 15-yard quarterback keeper put the

Rams on the scoreboard in the first quarter of the second game. Mark Connor's run was good for 2 points.

The Browns had a scoring drive stopped when Billy Shea intercepted a pass near the close of the first half. In the third quarter, Shea returned a Brown punt 60 yards for a touchdown. However, the play was called back due to an offside against the Rams. The next punt was blocked, and nine plays later McCologan took it in from the 4. The extra point failed.

Scott White and Mike Lazorko paced the winners defensively while Mark Resnick and Mike Lazorko stood out for the Browns.

Leading runners were Shane McCologan with 40 yards on 9 carries, Mark Connor 27 yards on 5 carries, and Mark Resnick 21 yards on 6 attempts. Harlan Williams had two pass receptions for 44 yards for the Rams.

Saturday morning in "B" game action, the Lions defeated the Giants 26-6 and the Browns outscored the Rams 6-0.

Browns, Rams triumph in close JFL contests

The Browns used a strong running attack to defeat the Giants 12-6 and the Rams used a fourth-quarter score to defeat the Lions, 8-0, in the second contest of a Junior Football League doubleheader yesterday at Wahconah Park.

Henry Watford and Mark Resnick provided a strong ground attack to humble the Giants. Watford had 66 yards rushing on 10 carries. His longest carry of 40 yards helped set up his one-yard touchdown run in the third quarter. Resnick showed power, speed and cutting ability as he ran for 107 yards on 11 carries. He scored on a second-quarter 54 yard off-tackle run. The conversion attempts failed after both touchdowns.

Sam Anello carried only once for the Giants but it was a 46-yard touchdown jaunt. The conversion failed following this fourth-quarter score.

The Giants' defensive unit was led by Joe Bromback and Ed Bertoldi. Bob Chiaretta paced the Browns defensively.

McColgan gets TD

Quarterback Shane McCologan ran for 146 yards and scored on a 52-yard run for the Rams. His score came in the last minutes of the game. The Lions' defense had a difficult time containing the swift back. Many of his runs

were the result of inability to find an open receiver. Offside and illegal procedure penalties thwarted numerous Ram drives. A McCologan-to-Harlan Williams touchdown pass play of 52 yards was called back because of an infraction.

The Lions also suffered from penalties. Jeff Henault intercepted a pass and returned it 40 yards to the Ram's 12. McCologan's tackle prevented him from going all the way. The moment of joy for the Lions was short-lived as the play was called back because of holding.

Billy Shea paced the Rams defensively with two pass interceptions. John Donovan excelled for the Lion defense.

"B" results

Saturday morning in "B" squad action, the Giants defeated the Browns 14-8. Rick Murphy had two 70-yard touchdown runs for the Giants. Joe Pivero scored on an eight-yard quarterback keeper for the Browns. Tom DaFonte of the Giants and Mike Lawton of the Browns each scored a conversion.

The Lions used a late score by Dan Sheran to defeat the Rams 6-0.

This week's "A" squad games will be played on Monday morning, Oct. 8, at 10 instead of Sunday afternoon.

OCT 1 1973

SEP 29 1973 Junior Football games tomorrow at Wahconah

The second week of the Junior Football program will be conducted tomorrow at Wahconah Park with a doubleheader starting at 12:30.

In the opener, the Giants, winners last week, will meet the Browns. In the nightcap at 1:45, the Rams, also victorious in their opener, will take on the Lions.

The "B" squads of the teams are scheduled to play this morning. The pairings will be the same. The first contest is slated for 10 a.m. at the North Junior High field.

OCT 8 1973 Unbeaten Rams, Browns triumph in JFL contests

The Rams remain undefeated in Pittsfield Junior Football League action after their 2-0 victory over the Giants yesterday afternoon at Wahconah Park. Dave Quetti and Gary Thompson sacked Al Monti in the end zone to score a safety. Both teams used strong defense, especially in the front lines, to kill scoring drives.

Following a Rams pass completion to the Giants' 1-yard line, the Giant defense gained possession on a Ram fumble. Joe Cardillo recovered the fumble and played an excellent defensive game.

The Giants had a third-quarter drive stopped at the Rams' 15 when the Rams held on fourth and one. Dave Landa and Dan Tagliente of the Rams and Paul Gregory and Cardillo of the Giants were the leading ground gainers in the ball game.

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The Browns used two early touchdowns to carry them past the Lions 22-8. Mark Resnick scored for the Browns on a 47-yard run on the first play from scrimmage. Henry Watford scored the conversion. Later in the first quarter, Watford went in from the 9 for a touchdown. Mark Jester added the two-point conversion. In the fourth quarter Watford added another

touchdown to complete the Browns' scoring.

Near the end of the game, John Donovan threw a touchdown pass to Dan LeBlanc. The play covered 51 yards. Paul Villanova threw to Jeff Henault for the conversion to make the score 22-8.

The Lions' offense showed a lot of razzle-dazzle using reverses, end arounds, and halfback passes. The Lions put together a 50-yard drive in the second quarter only to have it stopped at the Browns' 11.

Individual standouts

Paul Nichols and John King were defensive standouts in the game. Watford and Resnick paced the Browns offensively while Dan Sheran, John Betters, and Kerry Williamson ran well for the Lions.

After three weeks of play, the standings are: Rams, 3-0; Browns, 2-1; Giants, 1-2; Lions, 0-3.

In "B" squad games Saturday morning, the Giants defeated the Rams 8-6 and the Lions played the Browns to a scoreless tie.

OCT 15 1973

Browns, Giants triumph in Jr. Football League

A fired-up Browns team handed the previously undefeated and unscored-upon Rams their first loss of the season yesterday at Wahconah Park. The victory places the Browns in a first-place tie with the Rams in the Pittsfield Junior Football League.

Henry Watford gave the Browns a six-point lead in the first period when he scampered 49 yards off tackle for a touchdown. In the third period, Mark Jester swept the left end and outran the defensive secondary for a 73-yard touchdown. The conversion attempts after each score failed, and the game ended with a score of 12-0 in favor of the Browns.

Shane McColgan paced the Rams with 101 yards rushing. More than once he almost broke away for a score.

The Browns' defensive unit did an excellent job of keeping the Rams out of their territory. Only once did the Rams make inside the Browns' 35. Jester, Paul Nichols and Mark Resnick led the defense. Dave Quetti, Harlan Williams and Scott White were in on many Ram tackles.

In the second contest, the Gi-

ants evened their record at 2-2 as they dropped the winless Lions 20-0.

Kurt Hubbard fielded a Lion punt on his own 46 and returned it for a touchdown. Tim Colbert added the conversion to the second-period score. In the third quarter, the Giants culminated a 46-yard drive with a two-yard touchdown run by Joe Cardillo. Sam Anello closed out the scoring with a 32-yard touchdown run.

Little Dan Sheran, starting his first game at halfback, paced the Lions defensively. He picked up 31 yards on nine carries. John Donovan again showed how to throw the halfback pass. He hit Dan LeBlanc for a 19-yard gain during a third-quarter Lion drive.

Jeff Henault played an extremely tough defensive game for the Lions. Middle linebacker Cardillo was in on many plays for the Giants.

Saturday's action

On Saturday morning in "B" squad games, the Browns defeated the Rams when John Koscher scored on a 37-yard run. The game was marked by excellent defensive play. Each squad had long scoring drives halted.

Mark Gifford threw a pass to Tom Lloyd, who then lateraled to trailing halfback Chris Tremblay. Tremblay went 48 yards to score on the last play of the game to give the Lions a 6-0 victory over the Giants.

As in the first game, the teams looked polished. The hitting was hard, and there was a limited number of penalties.

Browns crush Giants, widen Jr. football lead

The Browns increased their hold on first place in the Pittsfield Junior Football League at Wahconah Park yesterday as they defeated the Giants 22-0. The Browns are 4-1 and the Giants are in third place with a 2-3 record.

In the first game of the doubleheader, the winless Lions, with an 0-4 record, played the Rams to a scoreless tie. The Rams' loss leaves them with a 3-1-1 record in second place.

The Lions played an exceptionally tough defensive game, led by Dan Sheran, Jeff Henault, and Eric Gagnon. They contained Shane McCologan, the Rams' quarterback, who was unable to break a long run as he has done consistently all year. On offense, however, the Lions were unable to generate much.

Dan Philips and Steve Connolly were in on many defensive plays for the Rams. Dan Tagliente and McCologan led the Rams offensively.

Mark Resnick's first period 60-yard run set the stage for the Browns' victory over the Giants. Henry Watford added the

two point conversion. Gary Bianchi added six more points when he plunged over from the one in the fourth quarter.

The Giants countered this score on their next play when Ed Bertoldi took the kickoff and then handed off to Joe Cardillo who took it in for a 75-yard touchdown. Their joy was short lived however, as the play was called back on a penalty.

Later in the quarter, Bob LeBlanc of the Browns defensive unit broke through the line and stripped the ball from the Giant's quarterback. LeBlanc then ran the ball in for a fifty yard score.

In "B" squad games Saturday, the Lions defeated the Rams 6-0 and the Browns defeated the Giants 6-0. Sean Evans of the Lions and Joe Pivero of the Browns scored the touchdowns on short runs.

OCT 22 1973

JFL games scheduled tomorrow

The Junior Football League doubleheader will be played tomorrow at Wahconah Park. The first game is at 12:30 p.m. The games had originally been set for Monday afternoon.

The Lions and the Rams will meet in the opener. The Browns and Giants will play the second contest at 1:45.

B squad games will be played this morning at the North Junior High field. OCT 20 1973

Browns near JFL crown

The final games of the Junior Football League schedule tomorrow find the Browns and the Rams nursing championship hopes. The weekly doubleheader will begin at 12:30 at Wahconah Park.

The Browns, sporting a 4-1 record, can gain the title outright by defeating the Lions in the opener. Coach John Castonguay's teams will be favored to win over the Lions who are 0-4-1 to date.

Should they stumble, however, the second-place Rams, 3-1-1, could take it all with a victory over the Giants. The Rams will know their task against the Giants, 2-3, as they play the second game.

All players are requested to turn in their uniforms after the game. At that time they will be issued tickets to the annual post-season banquet.

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JUNIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPION this year is the Browns team. Personnel is, left to right: first row, Brian Nichols, Mike McGurn, Mike Lawton, Craig Calwell, Jon Koscher, Arch Owen, Mark Resnick, Gerard Harvey, Jim Pivero, Pete Laurent and John Bradley; second row, Billy Turner, Brian Evans, Randy Taikowski, John Chiaretta, Ted Isabel, Jim McDonough, Don White, Dave Perkins, Jonny Makowski, Steve O'Brien and Mark Gasson; third row, Gary Bianchi, Bob LeBlanc, Dennis Archambault, Henry Watford, Tom Dwyer, George

Bradley, Bob Sweeney, Bobby Chiaretta, John Higgins and Ray Charow; fourth row, Joe Isabel, Paul Nichols, Craig Russo, Peter Coughlin, Paul Bourassa, John Bradley, Kevin Jester and Steve Houle; fifth row assistant coaches Don LeBlanc and Mike Lacy, Tom Wright, Nick Gibson, Mark Jester, head coach John Castonguay and assistant William Borys. The Browns compiled a season record of five wins and one loss in winning the title.

Mark Mitchell

Browns beat Lions 14-6, take Junior League title

The Browns won the championship of the Pittsfield Junior Football League yesterday by defeating the Lions, 14-6, at Wahconah Park. The win gave the Browns a 5-1 record for the year. They won five in a row after dropping their opener to the Rams.

The winless Lions tried to play the spoiler's role again this week. Last week they played the second place Rams to a tie. This week the Rams were rooting for the Lions, hoping they could upset the Browns and thereby give the Rams the championship.

The Lions were up for the game and threw quite a scare into the Browns. The Lions played a tough defensive game, paced by Dan Sheran, Dave Montesante, and Jeff Henault.

Bob Chiaretta set up both Brown scores when he blocked punts deep in the Lions' territory. Mark Jester and Mark Resnick each scored on short runs following the blocked punts. Jester added a two-point conversion following Resnick's touchdown.

The Lions have been unable to generate much offense all year. Yesterday, they were unable to get a running attack going. In the third period, they called on John Donovan to come up with the big play. He took a handoff and threw a 47-yard touchdown pass to speedy Sheran to make the score 14-6 in favor of the Browns.

Later in the fourth quarter the Browns halted the Lions when Dennis Archambault intercepted a pass.

In the second contest, the Rams crushed the Giants 26-0. Shane McColgan was a one-man scoring machine as he ran for three touchdowns. He had runs of 36, 65 and 1 yard. Dan Tagliente scored a touchdown and a two-point conversion.

The Giants substituted freely and used seven offensive ball carriers. Joe Cardillo was their leading ground gainer.

Big plays of the game were McColgan's 65-yard punt return and little Billy Shea's 40-yard runback on an interception for the Rams.

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Grid league sets banquet for Tuesday

The annual banquet for the Junior Football League will be held Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Highland Hall. Thomas Potter, St. Joseph's High School head football coach and athletic director, will be the main speaker.

Guests will include Mayor Donald G. Butler, Mayor-elect Evan S. Dobelle, City Council President John Fraser, Park Superintendent Vincent J. Herbert, members of the Park Commission, Pittsfield High football coach Joseph Gleason and Taconic football coach Bill Murray. Also present will be members of the Berkshire County Football officials, who worked at the junior football games this year, and the Junior Football League board of directors.

The league champions, the Browns, coached by John Cas-

tanguay, will receive awards. Art Gwinnell again will be master of ceremonies. Chairmen for the event are Fred Hogan and John Marchesi.

Boys, who have not been informed of the banquet should call their coaches.

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Bill Mahan

POINTING OUT potential high school football talent to St. Joseph's High coach Tom Potter, center, from a picture of the Junior Football League champion Browns team are cocaptains Mark Resnick, left, and Arch Owen, second from right, and coach John Castonguay, second left. Looking on is Park Department recreation director John Marchesi, right, who was master of ceremonies last night at the league's annual banquet. The Browns received the pictures and trophies and Potter spoke.

Junior football players are urged by Potter to continue in grid game

By Bill Mahan

The tangible rewards of trophies and team pictures were added to the pride of being champions for the Browns' team of the Junior Football League at the league's annual banquet last night at Highland Hall. The event was attended by more than 200.

Head coach Tom Potter of St. Joseph's High, the main speaker, urged the young players to continue playing football in junior high and high school programs. He heaped praise on the Junior Football League for its importance to football at the three local high schools.

Potter said that during the past season his squad, heavily hit by injuries, had to use 9th graders. He credited the youth grid league training and experience for the fact that these freshmen could go into a varsity game and do a good job.

The St. Joe's coach told the boys that football builds men. He warned that the game was not all fun but pointed out that learning to get up again after being hit and knocked down helps prepare young men for the knocks of later life. He said the confidence they had acquired in knowing they could play the game in the Junior Football League should be carried over to high school where they should meet the challenge, confident they could play the game at that level no matter what their size or quickness.

John Marchesi, recreation director of the Pittsfield Depart-

ment of Parks and Recreation, which runs the grid league, was master of ceremonies. The Rev. Raymond Lanoue, pastor of St. Patrick's Church at West Stockbridge and former administrator at St. Joseph's High School, gave the invocation.

Other speakers were: City Council President John Fraser; Monday Morning Quarterbacks' Club president and City Councilman Henry Marchisio; Park Department Supt. Vincent Herbert; football official and charter member of the league's Board of Directors John Quinlan; league president Edward "Red" Fox; Pittsfield High coach Joe Gleason; JFL coaches John Castonguay, Mike Lacy, Don LeBlanc and Bill Borys of the Browns, Louis Bolognia of the Lions, Charlie Kalis of the Rams and Bob Maher of the Giants, and this writer.

All the speakers congratulated the boys for their successful season and voiced the hope that the last-year players would be

seen competing in high school contests. The coaches and officials were praised for their contribution of time and work in the program.

Fraser extended the congratulations of the city to the Browns on behalf of Mayor Donald Butler, who was unable to attend because of a death in his family, and Mayor-elect Evan Dobelle, who had made a previous commitment.

Other guests

Head table guests called upon to take bows included Taconic High coach Bill Murray, Dr. Thomas Sullivan and Bruce Robinson, Marchesi's assistant. Invited guests, who sent regrets at being unable to attend for reasons of illness, work or other commitments were Park Commissioner Charles Gilson, league manager Art Gwinnell, radio station sports directors Bob Steiner of WBRK and Jim Guinan of WBEC and Ken Keenle, sports columnist for

the Berkshire Eagle's Sunday Sampler.

Potter and Father Lanoue presented the trophies and pictures to the Browns players and coaches. The Browns players gave trophies to their coaches and the Giants had gifts for their mentors.

Quinlan introduced several of the officials who had worked the Junior circuit games.

SPORTS

FEB 8 1973

City saves money by having its cars fixed by teacher

William F. Harrington, a vocational teacher, was paid about \$900 last summer for work he did on city-owned vehicles.

Asst. Supt. Leon L. Siegel said Wednesday that a professional garage would have charged about \$4,000 for the same work.

Harrington, whose work was praised by Siegel and Mayor Butler, is a teacher in Taconic High School's auto body shop.

APR 5 1973 Little League registration this weekend

Registration for new Little League baseball candidates 9 through 12 years of age will be held Saturday at 10 a.m. and Monday at 6 p.m.

Locations for registrations are as follows: North, Wahconah Little League field; South, Deming league field; West, Clapp Field; East, at the GEAA.

Dates and times for tryouts will be set later by each league president. The season will open Sunday, May 20, at the four Little League fields.

Boys who will be at least 9 and under 13 Aug. 1 will be eligible for play.

The annual citywide candy sale will be held Sunday, June 10.

Little League boundaries are:

LITTLE LEAGUE BOUNDARIES

North League — From Lanesboro town line east of and including Murray Street, southeast of and including Clark's Road and Lafayette Street to the east boundary of Springside Park; east of and including Grove and Winter streets; east of and including Fourth Street to East Street; west to North Street, including north side of East Street; north to Linden Street, including the east side of North Street; west, south of and including Linden Street to a point south of Cascade Street on Hancock town line.

East League — From Lanesboro town line east of but not including Murray Street; south, east of but not including Clark's Road and Lafayette Street; west of and including Brown Street; east of but not including Fourth Street to East Street to Junction Road, then south and east along Brattle Brook to Dalton town line.

South League — From Dalton town line, west and north along Brattle Brook to Junction Road; west, including south side of East Street to Pomeroy Avenue; south, east of but not including Pomeroy Avenue to Holmes Road; south from Pomeroy Avenue, east of but not including Holmes Road to railroad; south along railroad to Lenox town line.

West League — From Hancock town line, south of but not including Cascade Street; east, south of but not including Linden Street to North Street; south, including west side of North Street to East Street; east, including south side of East Street to Pomeroy Avenue; south, east of and including Pomeroy Avenue, Holmes Road; south, from Pomeroy Avenue, east of and including Holmes Road to railroad, south along railroad to Lenox town line.

South loop sets tryout dates

The South Little League has established the dates for tryouts, which will be at the Deming Park Little League Field. Try-outs are scheduled for Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Saturday, April 21. On each day tryouts for 9-year-olds will start at 11 a.m., 10 year olds at 12:30 p.m. and 11 and 12-year-olds at 2 p.m. Age groups are arranged according to the boy's age as of Aug. 1.

APR 10 1973

Little League tryouts set for Wahconah Park

Little League tryouts will be held at Wahconah Park Little League Field this weekend at the following times: Saturday at 10 a.m. for 9-10-year-olds, and at 2 p.m. for 11-12-year-olds; on Sunday at 10 a.m. for 11-12-year-olds, and at 2 p.m. for 9-10-year-olds; and on Monday at 10 a.m. for 9-10 years, and at 2 p.m. for ages 11-12.

Final tryouts will be the following Saturday, April 21, at 10 a.m. for the 9-10-year-olds, and at 2 p.m. for the 11-12-year-olds. If the weather is bad on any of the days, the tryouts will be held on the Brown Street field.

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East LL sets tryout dates

Dates for tryouts for the East Little Baseball League were announced today. These drills will be at the Plastics Avenue Minor League Field Monday, Wednesday and Friday nights of next week at 6.

APR 18 1973

East LL tryouts Monday set for 9-year-olds

East Little Baseball League tryouts Monday night at 6 at Plastics Avenue Minor League Field will be for 9-year-olds. Ten-year-olds will try out Wednesday, and the 11-12 age group will have its session next Friday night.

Boys who have not registered may do so at the practices.

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APR 23 1973 LL registration

All 9-12 year old boys who weren't picked to play in the South Little League are eligible to compete in the South Minor League. However, they must register tomorrow or Wednesday between 6 and 7 o'clock at Deming Field.

There will be no future registrations. This registration does not pertain to eight year olds who already have registered.

APR 24 1973 35 players are chosen by West LL

Thirty-five players have been selected by the West Little League.

The picks are as follows: Gull Oil and Coal: Michael Hennessy, Brendon Hennessy, and Dan Fitzsimmons; Civitan: John White, Lance McColgan, John Broderick, Ronald Moon, Dennis Kelly, Chris Litty, and Tom Barry; Eagles: James Tierney, Chris Tremblay, James Izzo, Matt Hamilton, Tom Trotter, Matt Pictowski, Keith Doerle, and Ed Tharion; Connor Pharmacy: Dave Lloyd, Scott Stanton, Mike McCarron, Kurt Hubbard, John Pochinchuck, Joel Scuasell, and Ken Loynes; Big N: Mike Cebula, John Doolley, Tony Campbell, James Latura, and Earl Robinette; Berkshire Vending: Mike Caprio, Jody Rutkowski, Jeff Storie, Roger Kelly, and James Kelly.

League officers are: President, Bill Harrington; vice-president, Ed Bushey; secretary-treasurer, Len Cleary; player agent, Harry McGinnis; candy sale chairman, Dick Brown; picnic chairman, Jim Pochinchuck.

APR 24 1973 43 players picked in South LL

Forty-three new players were selected this past weekend for the South Little League. These boys will participate at Deming Field with the eight teams in the league. The players and their assigned teams are as follows:

Tank Shop: Tim Alibozek, Mark Lester, Chris Nixon, Richard Chase, Derek Garofano.

East Side Pizza: Joe Kelly, Tom Haling, Mark Witter, David Cancilla, Michael Patricelli, Greg Otto.

Virgilio's Construction: Peter Trahanas, Rick Stracuzzi, Mark Carnevale, Paul Harmon, Andrew Falk, Bill Gross.

Magner's Drug: Jeffrey Cimini, Shane Reagan, Andy Kramer, John Robinson, Terry Tuggey, Alfred Bradley.

Stevenson's Insurance: Martin Ferris, Darryle Perrault, Mark Billow, Paul Billow.

Italian American Club: Nello Salvitti, Josh Weeks, Rick Baran, Christopher Tierney, Mike Jerome.

City Savings: William Chester, John Dahrouge, Charles Smith, Mark Morgan.

M & W Heating: Glen Civallo, Mark Filiault, Ricky Mangiardi, Jack Eisen, John Anello, Donald Ferguson.

MAY 8 1973 East league picks 37 players

The East Little League has selected 37 new players for the coming season. The selectees and their team assignments are:

Besse-Clark: Doug Bassett, Richard Belford, Michael Brodeur, Joe LeClair, Tom LaGrotteria, James Wallace.

Moldmaster: John Kasala, Jeffery Knox, Todd McLeod, Sean McMahon, Knox, Todd McLeod, Sean McMahon, James Marshall, Michael Shea.

IUE 255: David Caparelli, Raymond Coury, Billy Mason, Michael Torchia, Peter Vogel.

Burger Chef: Dan Cusson, Leo Nesbit, Joe Russo, Gene Sala, Steven Taylor.

Credit Union: Gerard Griffith, Patrick McGovern, Peter Martin, John Tagliente, Peter Tagliente.

Pittsfield Pipers: Mark Gasson, Michael LaPierre, John Marcinczyk, Jeff Phillips, David Stitt.

McDonald's: David Kordana, Kevin DuPont, Mike Quinn, Timmy Signor, Jeff Vittone.

North LL selects 44 boys

Forty-four boys have been chosen for play in the North Little Baseball League, player agent Al Pigott announced today.

The picks are as follows: Zayre's — G. Symanski, J. King, R. Gable, H. Richardson, T. Shepard, K. Errichetto, T. Carrasoto and R. Kendall; Police Department — M. Kelly, D. Wasuk, J. Mazzer, S. Barker, S. Anello, W. Lake and B. Alexander; Colt Insurance — A. Pires, S. Ahrllo, D. Fera, D. Robillard and W. Carr; Fire Department — R. Grady, J. Papa, A. Carmody, S. Riddle and M. Ferdyn; The Madison — M. Andrew, D. Bence, J. Howe, M. Tucker, R. Sabin and J. Fitzpatrick; Stanley's Grill — S. Cherow, R. Cherow, W. Clark, G. Adams and T. Reilly.

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MAY 8 1973 Ypsilanti drops girl from LL team

Carolyn King denied entrance into boys' domain

YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP) — When the Ypsilanti Little League plays its scheduled season openers today, 12-year-old Carolyn King won't be on the field.

Carolyn's bid to become the first girl to crack the roster of a Ypsilanti Little League team was halted late Monday when the league's managers, in an 11th-hour private meeting, decided to drop her from the league.

"We decided to drop Carolyn from the roster but to continue to fight in court to have her reinstated," said Bob Taylor, vice president of the group.

The Little League, with national headquarters in Williamsport, Pa., has a rule banning girls.

"She's very good, that's the crime of the whole thing," Taylor said. "If she was a mediocre player you could say forget it, but she puts most 11 and 12-year-olds to shame."

A common complaint about the Little League program is that the adults who run it won't get out of the way and simply let the youngsters play their game. But in Carolyn's case, she was betrayed by her would-be contemporaries.

Of the 40 boys in the league, 23 voted to kick Carolyn out of the league. Nine voted to let her play, five abstained and three were not available when the vote was taken.

"There was a possibility the league would lose its charter and equipment and financial support," Taylor said. "We'd have hundreds of kids involved who couldn't play baseball."

"When it comes down to one kid versus 204, we have to consider the 204."

MAY 10 1973 Ypsilanti league reverses decision; girl will play

YPSILANTI, Mich. (AP) — Despite possible revocation of its Little League charter by national headquarters, Ypsilanti's youth baseball organization has decided to let Carolyn King, 12, play with the formerly all-boy group this summer.

The action Wednesday reversed a decision made earlier in the week and came after the city said its diamonds would not be available unless Carolyn was allowed to play.

Carolyn, whose ability reportedly surpasses that of many of her male counterparts, is to take the field tonight for her first game. "We feel we are doing the morally right thing as well as the practical thing," said League President William Anhut.

"We have made our decision," he said, referring to the possible charter suspension. "Now it's up to them (the national headquarters)" in Williamsport, Pa.

Robert Stirrat, director of



DALTON VANDALISM at Greenridge Park culminated Monday night in destruction of the dugout at the

Little League field. Fence around the field was also bent out of shape. Police are investigating.

Dorothy Chapman

Dalton police investigate Greenridge Park vandalism

DALTON — Police are investigating vandalism at Greenridge Park playground off South Street, where an estimated \$800 in damage was done to the dugout Monday night.

Archie DeAngelus, director of the Community Recreation Association, said vandals have been systematically damaging

the dugout for some time and dealt the final blow Monday by dislodging the supporting concrete block and causing the roof to cave in.

"It's a shame that such things should occur," he said, "at a time when the town is in the process of installing a blacktop section in the park for use as a basketball and volleyball court."

The area was ready to be blacktopped, but sometime during the night motorcycles and bikes were driven over the prepared gravel surface, causing delays in pouring, DeAngelus said.

MAY 17 1973 Al Belanger to talk at LL opener

Al Belanger, baseball coach and athletic director of St. Joseph's High School, will be the principal speaker Sunday at opening ceremonies of the North Little Baseball League at Waconah Field. He also will throw out the first ball.

All boys from the league must be present in uniform. Players and coaches will be introduced, starting at 12:30.

Here are the North teams and their coaches: Colt Insurance, Jim Winslow; Elks, Jack Hogan; Stanley's, John Grady; Fire Department, Larry Kennedy; Police Department, Bill Sarrocco; Zayre's, Jim Brown; the Madison, Leo Kruczkowski.

MAY 18 1973

West loop will open on Sunday

The West Little League will open its season Sunday at the West League Field at Clapp Park with ceremonies, contests and a doubleheader. The Eagles and Big N will play the first game and Gull Oil and Civitan the second.

All teams in the circuit will assemble at 12:30 and all the coaches and players will be introduced. A throwing and hitting contest will follow. Before the first game Charlie Gilson, a member of the Park Commission, will throw out the first ball and former mayor and postmaster Bob Dillon will be his batterymate.

The league coaches are: Eagles, Bud Sheran; Big N, Mike Messana; Gull Oil, Ed Daley; Civitan, Herk Shepard; Berkshire Vending Co., Tom Barry; Connor Pharmacy, Bill Harrington.

The league officers are president Bill Harrington, vice president Ed Bushey, secretary-treasurer Leonard Cleary and players' agent Harry "Stuffy" McGinnis.

Grads throw first ball in East LL

The East Little Baseball League held opening-day ceremonies Sunday at the Benedict Road field. John Lefkowitz of St. Joseph's High and Rick Koscher of Pittsfield High, past members of the league, threw out the first ball. The first game between Moldmaster and the GE Credit Union was postponed because of rain.

The opening prayer was delivered by the Rev. Joseph P. Cashin, director of the Catholic Youth Center.

The league officers and coaches then were introduced. The officers are: president, Ron Cusson; vice president, Bob Crawford; secretary, Ken Gerlach; treasurer, Bill Boraski; and player agent, Leo Fiorini.

The coaches are Don Ostrick and Bob Miller, Pittsfield. Pipers; Charley Kalis and Mike Toner, Burger Chef; Jake Lefkowitz and John Groves, IUE 255; Bill Marlowe and Earle Crocker, McDonald's; Bob Avallie and Al Burt, Besse-Clarke; Dick Belair and Herm Schneider, GE Credit Union; and Bill Shea and Rit Flynn, Moldmaster.

MAY 23 1973

South LL opens season Sunday with 3 games

The South Little League will feature the City Savings Bank open its season with a nine of coach Bill Hurley locking horns with the East Side Pizza club coached by Joe Di-

The opening game will have Magner's Drug Store, managed by Ray Tuggey, playing the Tank Shop, piloted by Mike Ellery. The second contest will pit the Virgilio Construction squad of Tony Simonelli against Bob Chiaretta's Stevenson Insurance team. Game No. 3 will

feature the start of Sunday's proceedings, the league officials will take a bow. The officials include: Will Altman, president; Mario Tassinari, vice president; John Shreenan, treasurer; William Wood, secretary, and Frank Kelley, player agent.

Fran McDonald, district administrator for the Berkshire area, will throw out the first ball.

MAY 15 1973

Little League

BIG N

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Tellow, rf	3	0	1	1	0	0
Cassella, 2b	3	0	0	1	3	0
Sweeney, p	3	1	1	0	4	0
Murray, c	2	0	0	7	1	0
Goodrich, 3b	2	0	1	1	0	1
Messina, ss	2	1	1	0	0	0
Donovan, 1b	3	0	3	5	0	1
Pulia, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Robbinette, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Cebula, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bassett, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Macchi, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Latura, cf	1	0	0	2	0	0
Totals	26	2	7	18	10	2

GULL OIL

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Dooley, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
B. Hennessey, lf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Gifford, 3b	3	0	0	0	1	1
Zradl, 2b	2	0	1	0	1	1
M. Hennessey, cf	3	0	0	0	1	0
Penna, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Daley, ss	3	0	0	2	0	0
Ringle, c	1	0	0	8	0	0
Fitzsimmons, 1b	1	0	0	4	0	0
Flood, lf	1	0	0	4	0	0
Schilling, p	2	0	0	0	12	1
Totals	21	0	2	18	15	3

BIG N 011 000-2
Umpires—Shepard and Pinsonneault.

MAY 24 1973

Bartow, Papa pitch LL no-hitters MAY 25 1973

John Bartow of Burger Chef of the East Little League and Jon Papa of the Pittsfield Fire Department in the North Little League pitched no-hitters Wednesday night. Bartow beat McDonald's, 8-0, and Papa downed Zayre's 21-1. Bartow struck out 13 and Papa 8.

Bartow helped his cause with three hits in three times at bat and a run batted in. Papa singled once in three trips to the plate.

JUN 6 1973 Little League mothers on TV sports program

Pittsfield Little League baseball and how mothers of the players feel watching their sons participate will be the topic on Sam Levine's Channel 2 television sports show to night at 8.

Guests will be Mrs. Dot Caden, whose son Jeff plays for East Side Pizza; Mrs. Fran Tierney, whose sons Pete and Chris play for the Italian-Americans; Mrs. Pat Fox, whose son Kevin plays with Virgilio Construction; and Mrs. Georgia Gardner, whose son Chuck is a member of the City Savings team.

Co-host Robert Levine, who will be sitting in for his brother Mark this summer, will report on the Western Massachusetts baseball tournament and high school sports.

Lataskas throws a no-hitter in South LL

Mark Lataskas of Stevenson's Insurance, defending South Little League champion, pitched the first no-hitter of the young season last night against the Tank Shop in a decisive 7-1 win.

Lataskas struck out 11 batters, walked two and hit one. He gave up one unearned run.

He also was the hitting star with two hits.

MAY 24 1973

MAY 22 1973 Little League

BESSE-CLARKE

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Lagrotter, 2b	3	0	0	2	5	0
Dunn, 1b	4	0	0	6	0	1
Gerlach, ss	3	0	1	3	2	0
Belford, p	2	1	0	0	1	1
LeClair, c	3	2	2	3	0	0
Lennihan, cf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Weucik, 3b	3	0	0	2	0	0
Noonan, lf	3	0	0	0	0	0
Curro, rf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Wallace, 2b	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bassett, rf	0	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	24	3	3	16	8	2

BURGER CHEF

	ab	r	h	po	a	e
Patella, p	3	1	0	0	0	3
Crawford, 2b	1	1	1	0	0	0
Sala, 3b	2	1	1	0	0	0
Furci, 1b	2	1	1	1	0	0
Mazzar, cf	2	1	1	0	0	0
Wehry, lf	2	0	1	0	0	0
Garrity, c	2	0	0	1	0	0
White, ss	2	0	0	2	1	0
Keegan, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Kalis, ss	0	0	0	0	1	0
Cusson, 1b	1	0	0	0	0	0
Taylor, rf	1	0	0	0	0	0
Nesbit, lf	2	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	6	6	8	1	3

BURGER CHEF 500 10x-5
BESSE-CLARKE 000 201-3
Umpires—Doug Belair and Paul Gould.

SOUTH L.L. sets playoff for first-half title

A three-way playoff for the first-half championship of the South Little League will take place tonight and tomorrow night. Tonight at 6, the Italian-American Club will meet East Side Pizza. Stevenson's Insurance will meet the winner tomorrow.

The three teams tied for the top spot with identical 6-3 records. M & W Heating, City Savings Bank and Virgilio Construction finished with 5-4 marks. Magner's Drug Store was 3-5 and Tank Shop 1-8.

The Pizzamen scored two big victories to set up the deadlock. They downed the City Savings 5-3 Saturday and M & W 5-4 Sunday. Jeff Cade and Jim Cobb had two hits each and Tom Halting was the winning pitcher in the first win. Craig McCaffey and John Tremblay pitched very well in the other game.

M&W Heating picked up its fourth victory Saturday with a 3-2 win over Stevenson's. Jim Ferguson picked up the victory, and Bob and John Chiarella led the hitters. Dan Folan had three hits and Mark Latakus turned in a hitless stint on the mound for Stevenson's.

Virgilio's edged Magner's Monday night 2-1. Ed Elias and Gene Welter each knocked in a run in a pivotal third inning. Dave Lussier drove in Magner's only run.

In other games over the weekend, Stevenson knocked off the Tank Shop 7-1 Sunday, and the Italian-Americans edged M&W Heating 3-2 Friday night and then gunned down City Savings Bank by an identical score Sunday afternoon.

Stevenson's win was insured by the three hits of Latakus and the pitching of Pete Langois. In the two Italian-American wins, David Montisanti was the hitting and hurling star, going four for five and knocking in the winning run against the Heaters and striking out seven and walking only two on the mound opposing the Bankers.

Civitan drops pair of games

Civitan dropped two games in recent West Little League action. Big N wielded a 7-0 white-wash against the team Saturday, and the Eagles edged the club 6-5 Monday night.

Chief nemeses were winning pitcher Rick Tetlow and Mike Sweeney, who hit a two-run double for Big N, and Chris Tremblay, who pitched and cracked two hits for the Eagles.

David Farley of Civitan rapped three hits against the Eagles.

JUN 20 1973

JUN 20 1973 Big N clinches 1st-half title

Big N clinched at least a tie for the first-half championship of the West Little League by beating Berkshire Vending 5-0 last night. Theron Goodrich pitched the four-hit shutout.

Pete Quadrozzi took the loss. He allowed five hits, one a home run by Mike Sweeney. Steve Messina had two hits for the winners.

Elks extinguish Fire Dept. 4-3

The Elks defeated the Fire Department 4-3 last night in the North Little League as George Mickle drove in the winning run in the last of the seventh inning. Chris Harrington pitched a two-hitter for the Elks.

Mickle's two hits led the Elks. Chris Porter had both Fire Department hits. Jon Papa was the losing pitcher.

JUN 14 1973

JUN 21 1973 Italians triumph 4-1 in playoffs

The Italian-American Club broke open a scoreless pitching duel by scoring four runs in the bottom half of the fourth inning in first-half playoff action in the South Little League. The Italians defeated East Side Pizza 4-1.

The key blow in the inning was a bases-loaded single by Joe Kelley. Jeff Caden doubled in a run in the top of the fifth to enable East Side Pizza to avert a shutout.

Rich Hebert excelled on the mound for the Italian-Americans. Jim Cobb did well on the firing line for East Side Pizza.

Stevenson 9-2 South LL victor

Stevenson Insurance turned back the Italian-Americans 9-2 Wednesday night in South Little League action at Deming Field. Mark Latakas was the winning pitcher, and Peter Tierney was the loser.

Ty Perrault of Stevenson's and Richard Hebert of the Italian-Americans had two hits apiece.

JUN 22 1973

Burger Chef defeats Pipers

Burger Chef rolled to a 13-1 East Little League triumph over the Pittsfield Pipers Wednesday night at the East League diamond on Benedict Road. John Bartow pitched a three-hitter for Burger Chef. He struck out five and did not give up a walk.

John Patella and Dan Furci drove in three and two runs, respectively, for the winners. Getting the three hits for the Pipers were losing pitcher Ted Boraski, Tim Coakley and Jerry Schmidt.

JUN 22 1973

Eastside Pizza, Italians bow in South LL

Magner's Drug Store flattened Eastside Pizza, 10-5, and Stevenson Insurance routed the Italian-Americans by a 25-8 margin yesterday in the South Little League.

Dave Lusier provided the medicine for the druggist ball club pitching the team to vic-

tory and helping himself with two hits and a pair of runs batted in. Rick Lees took the loss for the Pizzas. A five-run second inning and a four-run fourth blew the game open for Magner's.

In the second game, the Stevensons wrote themselves an 11-

run insurance policy in the very first inning and coasted from there to victory over the Italians. Pete Tierney and Mark Lathkus hit home runs for the winners, but only Tierney's counted. Lathkus neglected to touch second on his circuit and the Americans caught him.

JUN 25 1973 Elks win 9th in last 10 outings

In North Little League games played Saturday, the Elks won their seventh game in a row 15-7 over Madison; Stanley's defeated the Fire Department 9-3, and Zayre's topped Colt Insurance 5-2.

Fran Plankey and Bob Hebert had doubles to head the Elks' attack. Ray Charow pitched his fifth win of the season. Glen Barcher and Ray Pierson had two hits each for Madison.

Bob Sweeney pitched a three-hitter, striking out 14 to lead Stanley's over Fire Department. Jimmy Hassett had two hits for Stanley's.

Noel Richardson pitched Zayre's to its first win of the year. Dean DeCarlo had two hits for the winners. Alex Pires led Colt with two hits.

The final first-half standings:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Elks	9	1	.900
Madison	6	4	.600
Police Department	6	4	.600
Stanley's	5	5	.500
Fire Department	5	5	.500
Colt Insurance	3	7	.300
Zayre's	1	9	.100

Moldmaster team scores ELL win

Dan Potter fanned eight and Mike Trova hit a single, double and triple and drove in three runs to lead Moldmasters to a 9-3 victory over McDonald's in an East Little League game last night.

Pete Tucker of the winners and Jim Crocker and Dan Anello of McDonald's had two hits each. Crocker was the losing pitcher.

JUN 20 1973 Dave Quetti leads Grills over Colts

Dave Quetti struck out 11 Colts and knocked in the winning run for himself last night as Stanley's Grill edged Colt Insurance, 6-5, in the North Little League. He was joined at the plate by Jim Hassett who had two hits.

Losing Colt hurler Alex Pires had an impressive evening at bat with a single, double and triple. Teammate Kevin Phelps also had a double and a triple.

In Monday night play in the North LL, the Madison Cafe scored five runs in the last inning to defeat Zayre 9-8. Bases-loaded doubles by Tony Wojtkowski and Dan Bence were the big blows for the winners.

Bill Lennon and Gary Sumanski had two hits apiece for Zayre.

JUN 25 1973 Moldmasters beat Besse-Clarke 8-4

Bill Shea allowed only one hit as a pitcher and knocked in two runs as a batter to lead the streaking Moldmasters past Besse-Clarke Sunday by an 8-4 score in the East Little League.

Shea was aided in the winning effort by Mike Trova, who went two for four with an RBI. Chris Potter managed the only hit for Besse-Clarke and also hit in two runs. Rick Belford was the losing pitcher.

Magner's tops M & W 5-3 in South LL

Magner's Drug Store defeated M & W Heating 5-3 last night in South Little League play. Magner's took the lead in the top half of the first with two runs, but M & W came back with three in the bottom half of the same inning.

Magner's took the lead for good in the fourth with two more runs and added an insurance score in the sixth. Pat McGowan went two for three for Magner's and drove in a run. Dave Lusier was one for three and knocked in two runs.

Mark Lefkowitz was three for three for M & W, as was Mark Godfrey.

The winning pitcher was John Robinson. The loser was Rick Cimini.

JUN 27 1973

JUN 27 1973 Elks extend North LL skein to eight games

The Elks extended their North Little League winning streak to eight games with an 11-4 win over Colt Insurance last night at Wahconah Park.

George Mickle's three hits led the Elks' attack. Mike Winston had a double. Chris Harrington pitched the win.

Kevin Phelps and Kerry Williamson had two hits each for the losers. Rick Martin was the losing pitcher.

JUN 29 1973 Connor club beats Berkshire Vending 6-5

A two-run double in the last of the fifth inning by Mark Connors gave Connor Pharmacy a 6-5 West Little League victory over Berkshire Vending last night at Clapp Park. Connors also pitched three innings of shutout baseball.

Mike Daly had a pair of safeties for Berkshire Vending. He and teammate Dean Messana each drove in two runs.

Credit Union wins two in East LL play

John Brezniak pitched a five-hitter and Jay Abair banged out two hits to lead GE Credit Union to a 6-5 win over Burger Chef in the East Little League Tuesday night. Dan Furci with two hits and John Bartow with a 10-strikeout performance in defeat were other standouts.

Brezniak starred as his team downed McDonald's 7-6 Monday night. He tripled and scored the winning run on a passed ball. He also picked up a save in relief of winning pitcher Dean Poplaski.

McDonald's also dropped a 7-6 decision to the Pittsfield Pipers Saturday. Jim Kostyun knocked in the deciding run in the last inning to cap a Piper comeback. He and teammate Chris Miller and Dan Abello of the losers had two hits.

JUN 28 1973

Besse Clarke wins in ELL

Rick Belford and Mike Dunn combined to hurl a 10-strikeout three hitter for Besse Clarke of the East Little League Thursday night. Besse's defeated McDonald's 8-3.

Chris Potter and Dave Burt of the winners and Jim Crocker and Mike Carpenter of McDonald's were leading hitters. Dan Anello was the losing pitcher.

JUN 30 1973



Crucial Contest

The scene was somewhat like the World Series at Deming Field on Wednesday afternoon in a playoff game to determine the first half winner of the South Little League season.

JUN 23 1973

JUL 2 1973

Resnick has no-hit game in North LL

Mark Resnick fired a no-hitter and struck out 14 batters over the weekend as the Fire Department shut out Zayre 7-0 in North Little League play at Wahconah Park. Chris Porter provided the offensive muscle for the fire fighters with two hits.

It was a rough two days for Zayre, as they also bowed to the other uniformed public servants, the Police, 8-7. Mark Symanski was the winning pitcher for the boys in blue in the rain-shortened four-inning game.

In the remaining two North LL tilts, the Madison topped Stanley's 5-1, while the powerful Elks, streaking to their ninth win in a row, also picked on Stanley's, for a 6-1 victory.

George Mickie twirled a three-hitter and fanned 13 in the Elks triumph, besting Stanley steamer Bob Sweeney. Pete Kellar threw another three-hitter past the Stanleys in the Madison win; Dave Quetti took the loss. Glen Barcher had two hits for the winners.

JUN 29 1973

Tank Shop, Moldmaster win in LL

In South and East Little League results from the last two nights, the Tank Shop sneaked past East Side Pizza 12-11 and Moldmasters beat IUE Local 255 5-1.

In the Southern circuit, the Tankers jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the second and added another run in the third, but the Pizzamen put it all together in the fourth and threw in a few anchovies to boot as they rallied for eight runs. Not to be outdone, Tank Shop served up a piping hot rally of their own in the sixth and final frame, pushing six runs across. The 12-8 margin was enough to hold off a late Pizza surge.

Mark Yarrick took the win for the Tanks, while Tom Haling suffered the loss for East Side. Yarrick had two hits for the winners and Graig MacHaffie had two for the losers.

Dan Potter led the way for Moldmasters in the Eastern League contest. Potter limited Local 255 to just three hits and struck out 10 in gaining the pitching victory. He also contributed at the plate with a hit and an RBI. Bill Carpenter was the losing hurler.

On the bright side for the unionmen, Scott Groves connected for the East's first home run of the season. The blast was the only run IUE could locate.

Credit Union ruins Pipers' chance for 1st

GE Credit Union defeated the Pittsfield Pipers, 4-2, Saturday to destroy the Pipers' chances of gaining a tie for the first-half championship of the East Little League.

Gerard Griffith went the distance as pitcher. John Brezniak had two hits for Credit Union as did Ted Boraski of the Pipers.

Moldmaster finished first with a 7-3 record. The Pipers and Credit Union tied for second with 6-4 marks, followed by Burger Chef and IUE at 5-5, and McDonald's and Besse Clarke at 3-7.

JUL 2 1973

Big N wins on 2-hitter by Sweeney

Big N, behind the strong pitching of Mike Sweeney, blanked Connor Pharmacy 4-0 Saturday in a West Little League game at Clapp Park. It was the ninth win for Big N in 10 starts.

Sweeney gave up just two hits and struck out 14. He also had two hits himself. Joe Puia belted a two-run double. Pat Gagne and John Donovan had the two safeties for the losers. Gagne played a good defensive game.

JUN 26 1973

IUE Local 255 beats McDonald

Scott Groves twirled a strong two-hit, nine strikeout game and Bob Harrington had a 4-for-4 night at the plate yesterday as IUE Local 255 opened up the second-half of the East Little League season with a 6-1 victory over McDonald's.

Scott Madden chipped in two hits for the Local cause, while Jon Koscher and Mark Kordana had two hits apiece for McDonald's. Jim Crocker took the loss for the hamburger hustlers.

JUL 3 1973

JUN 26 1973

Fire Dept. tops Madison

Fire Department defeated Madison, 20-15, in a North Little League slugfest at Wahconah Park last night. The teams combined for 19 runs in the sixth inning.

Winning pitcher Mark Resnick led the attack with five hits in five trips. He also scored five runs. Chris Porter, Tom Dwyer and Mark Petruzella had two hits each for the firemen.

Losing pitcher Steve Walak had three doubles and a single for Madison. Rick Murphy and Dan Bence had two hits each.

Elks place four players on all-stars

Four members of the Elks team have been named to the 13-member squad that will represent the North Little League in all-star competition.

Chris Harrington, George Mickie, Joe Larkin and Timmy Messer are the Elks players. Also named were Steve Walak, Mark Pierson and Glenn Barcher of the Madison. Rick Parzick and Mark Symanski of the Police Department, Mark Resnick and Chris Porter of the Fire Department, Dave Quetti of Stanley's and Carey Williamson of Colt Insurance.

John Grady of Stanley's and Jack Hogan of the Elks will be the coaches.

JUL 3 1973

East LL names 13 all-stars

Thirteen players from seven teams have been selected to play for the East Little League All-Stars in tournament competition.

They are: Dave Crawford, John Bartow, John Patella and Dan Furci of the Burger Chef team; Jon Koscher and James Crocker of McDonald's; Richard Belair of GE Credit Union; Pete Tucker, Dan Potter and Bill Shea of Moldmaster; Jerry Schmidt of the Pittsfield Pipers; Peter Gerlach of Besse-Clarke; and Scott Madden and Scott Groves of IUE 255.

Don Ostrick of the Pipers and Dick Belair of Credit Union will be the coaches.

JUL 3 1973

Virgilio team winner 5-2

Virgilio Construction scored all of its runs in the first inning as it defeated City Savings Bank 5-2 in a South Little League game last night at Deming.

Sieve Funk hit a home run for CSB in the sixth. Shaun McHugh had two singles, and Peter Trahanas picked up the win for Virgilio's.

JUN 26 1973

Luscier tops Latakas in South LL

Dave Luscier of Magner's Drug Store and Mark Latakas of Stevenson Insurance, the two premier pitchers in the South Little League and selections on this summer's league All-Star squad, locked horns Sunday afternoon at Deming Park.

The result was a beautifully thrown pitchers' duel with Luscier besting Latakas 1-0. Luscier fired a two-hitter and struck out 12, while Latakas fanned 10 and proved to be more stingy than Luscier, allowing only one Drugstore hit. The one safety off Latakas was a single by Pat McGowan of the Druggists. Bob Chiaretta had a double for Stevenson's.

In other South LL action Sunday, Virgilio Construction hammered the Tank Shop, 13-1, and Eastside Pizza upset the Italian American Club 8-5.

Virgilio's scored three runs in the third inning, four in the fourth and six more in the fifth en route to its rout. Bob Shaun McHugh and Gene Walter went 3-for-4 for the winners. Pete Trahanas took the victory, while Mark Yerrick suffered the loss.

Eastside Pizza scored twice in the third and four times in the fourth to take a 7-1 lead over the Italian Americans and the Italians could never catch up. The winning hurler for the Pizzas was Rick Lees, while Pete Tierney was the loser for the losers.

Big N, Gull Oil gain victories over weekend

The Big N and Gull Oil registered victories over the weekend in the West Little League. Saturday, the N's wiped out the Eagles 6-0, while the Gulls edged Connor Pharmacy 5-4 on Sunday.

The hero for the Big N aggregation Saturday was Mike Sweeney who twirled a three-hit, 12-strikeout shutout on the mound and delivered a two-run double and his third home run of the season at the plate to spark the victory. Steve Messina also doubled for the winners. Dan Sheran was the losing pitcher for the Eagles.

In Sunday's game, Jeff Schilling fanned 13 Pharamcists and scattered five hits as the Gull Oilers gained their victory. Brendon Hennessy went 2-for-3 and Mark Ringie and Mark Gifford had extra-base hits for the winners, while John Donovan, Pat Gagne and Mark Conner all had extra-base knocks for the Pharmacy. The losing pitcher was George Harrison.

JUL 5 1973

GE Credit Union East LL victor

GE Credit Union, sparked by the strong pitching of Dean Poplaski and the hitting of Rick Belair and John Brezniak, defeated Moldmaster 11-3 in an East Little League game Tuesday night. The Credit Union club played a good all-around game in downing the first-half champions.

Mike Trova had two hits for Moldmaster. Bill Shea was the losing pitcher in relief of Dan Potter.

JUL 6 1973

Stevenson beats Heat in struggle

Stevenson Insurance cooled off M&W Heating last night in the South Little League by the score of 5-4 in a seesaw battle. M&W scored three times in the first, but Stevenson tied for the lead in the second inning. The Heaters then regained the lead in the third by one run, but the Insurers retaliated with a pair of scores and took the advantage for keeps in the bottom half.

Bob Chiaretta had a home run for the winners in the first inning, and went two-for-three on the night along with teammates Pete Langlais and Ty Perrault. M&W's John Gregory went two-for-four. The winning pitcher was Langlais of Stevenson, while Jim Ferguson of the heat people took the loss.

Elks take 10th in row in North LL

The Elks won its 10th game in a row last night with an 8-1 decision over Madison. Chris Harrington struck out 10 in gaining his fifth win of the season, while George Mickle, with a home run and a double, led the Elks at bat.

Harrington had three hits and Fran Plankey two. Mickle made three great plays at shortstop.

Mark Pierson led Madison with two hits, half his team's total.

The Police Department topped Colt Insurance 6-3 in a game played last Monday. Rick Parzick's two hits led the winners. Kevin Beeler gained the win in relief. Kevin Phelps pitched well for the losers.

JUL 6 1973 Ferguson hits three homers in South LL

Jim Ferguson of M & W Heating whacked three home runs in a losing effort to highlight recent South Little League games. Despite the power display, M & W lost to City Savings Bank 14-12 Monday night.

However, Ferguson hit a triple and was the winning pitcher as his team downed Tank Shop 16-2. Teammates John Tremblay, Joe Greenleaf and Rick Cimini also hit hard.

In other games, Stevenson's Insurance defeated the City Savings 12-7, and Italian-American Club beat Virgilio's Construction 9-1.

Leading hitters for the bankers were Tom Hubregson, Steve Funk and Dick Malec. Bob Flood picked up a pitching victory. Stevenson's Pete Langlois gained a win and had two hits, and teammate Dan Folan had three hits. Virgilio's was led by Ed Elias with three safeties and Kevin Fox with two.

Chris Nixon and Gary Leach belted triples for TK.

JUL 7 1973 Burgers beat Besse in ELL

John Patella threw a two-hit, nine-strikeout effort past Besse-Clarke Thursday to lift Burger Chef to a 6-3 victory in the East Little League. A double and triple by Burger batter Dave Crawford provided the muscle in the Chefs' attack. Pete Gerlach had both of the hits for Besse-Clarke.

Three clubs place 3 players apiece on WLL all-stars

Connor Pharmacy, Gull Oil and Berkshire Vending placed three players each on the West Little League all-star team that includes at least one member from each of the six clubs in the circuit.

Made up of 14 players in all, the squad shapes up like this: Pat Gagne, Mark Connor and John Donovan of Connor Pharmacy; Mike Hennessey, Jeff Schilling and Mike Dooley, Gull Oil; Dean Messina, Richard Hayes and Paul Quadrozzi, Berkshire Vending; Mike White, Civitan; John Tierney and Dan Sheran, Eagles; and Mike Sweeney and Mark Murray, Big N.

The coaches of the team are Mike Messina and Wayne Goodrich.

JUL 7 1973

JUL 9 1973 Mark White leads Civitan to 3-0 upset

Mark White of Civitan was the all-around star in a recent West Little League game.

White pitched a one-hitter against league-leading Big N, beating them 3-0. He also hit a home run and a single in three times at bat.

It was only the second win of the season for Civitan, and only the second loss for Big N. Mike Sweeney was the losing pitcher.

Bill Shea leads Moldmasters to ELL victory

Bill Shea of Moldmaster had himself a big game Friday to lead his team to a 15-10 win over the Pittsfield Pipers in an East Little League contest.

Shea had three doubles in four at-bats, knocked in four runs, struck out eight men in three innings and was the winning pitcher. Teammate Mike Broderick had three hits. Charles Burnick two.

Losing pitcher Teddy Boraski fanned nine batters and had two hits, including a double.

JUL 9 1973

Stanley's, Zayre and firemen win in Little League

In games played this weekend at Wahconah Park, Stanley's defeated Colt Insurance 13-12, Zayre's upset Madison 6-5 and the Fire Department topped the Police Department 7-4.

Dan Eksuzian led Stanley's attack with three hits. Bob Sweeney and Jim Hassett had two hits each. Dave Quetti won the game in relief.

Alex Pires and Robbie Mickle had two hits each for the losers.

John King was the all-around star for Zayre's with a triple and single at bat and pitching well in relief to get the win. Gary Symanski and Dean DeCarlo also had two hits.

Rick Murphy and Dan Bence topped the losers with two hits each.

Mark Resnick pitched a two-hitter for the firemen, striking out 14 Police Department batters. He also had a triple and a single to lead the winner's offense.

Mark Symanski was the losing pitcher.

JUL 9 1973

Venders voided by Big N 20-4; Connor victor

Jay Casella and Mike Sweeney each pounded out a pair of doubles and Paul Donovan joined Casella in having a three-hit night as the big bruisers from the Big N beat the daylighters out of Berkshire Vending last night 20-4 in a West Little League game at Clapp Park.

Theron Goodrich, who also doubled, was the winning pitcher, and Steve Messina chipped in a triple. Andy Caprio and Dave Benarzyck had two-base hits for the Venders.

In Friday action out West, Pat Gagne fired a one-hitter struck out 13 and bombed a pair of home runs to lead Connor Pharmacy over Civitan 8-1. Mark Connor and John Donovan doubled for the winners, and Mark White collected the only Civitan hit.

JUL 10 1973

JUL 10 1973 Stevenson, CSB win; Tanks roll

In South Little League activity over the weekend, the Tank Shop rolled over the Italian-American Club 10-6 Friday, while Stevenson Insurance shaded Virgilio's Construction 8-6 and City Savings Bank cooled off Eastside Pizza 8-2 Sunday.

The hot Southern batters in the three games were Ron Marcella and Gary Leach, who had three hits for the Tanks, and Pete Langlois of Stevenson also had three safeties.

Pipers defeat IUE 255 6-4

The Pittsfield Pipers rapped out 10 hits in beating IUE 255, 6-4, in an East Little League baseball game last night at the Benedict Road field. Ted Boraski with two doubles and a single and Chris Miller with three singles paced the Pipers. Winning pitcher George Keil hurled a two hitter and losing pitcher Scott Groves had the IUE hits.

JUL 10 1973

M&W wins in South LL

Behind Rick Cimini's four-hit pitching, M&W Heating defeated the Italian-American Club 9-2 in the South Little League.

Walks and errors helped M&W to widen the gap.

Cimini, John Tremblay, John Gregory and Jack Issen each had hits for M&W. Rick DiOrto, Dave Montsanti and Mike Brennan led the attack for the losers.

JUL 11 1973

JUL 11 1973 Gull victor in West League overtime tilt

Gull Coal & Oil scored a run in the last of the seventh inning to edge the Eagles, 8-7, in the West Little League Sunday. The win gave the victors a 4-0 second-half record.

Mark Ringie singled in Larry Zradi, who had doubled in the tying run in the sixth, with the clincher. Kevin Grise was the winning pitcher in relief of starter Jeff Schilling.

JUL 12 1973

Elks trim Police 5-4 in North LL

The Elks ran their North Little League winning streak to 11 games with a 5-4 win over the Police Department in seven innings Tuesday night.

The hitting stars for the Elks were Tim Messer and Joe Larkin with two hits each and Mike Winston with a triple. Chris Harrington and George Mickle combined for 12 strikeouts. Mickle was the winner in relief.

Mark Devino had a big night at bat for the Police with a triple, double and a single.

In a game played Monday, the Fire Department defeated Stanley's 6-1. John Ferris and winning pitcher Jon Papa had two hits each to lead the firemen. Dave Quetti struck out 15 batters in a losing cause.

JUL 13 1973 Colt team splits in North

Colt Insurance broke even in two North Little League games this week. It defeated Zayre's 5-2 after losing to the Madison 17-6.

Alex Pires pitched a three-hitter to get the win over Zayre's. Jerry Almeida had two hits to lead the attack.

Steve Walak and Dan Bence led Madison in its win with two hits apiece. Glenn Barcher, Rick Murphy, Mark Pierson and Walak scored four runs each for the winners. Walak was the winning pitcher.

Almeida again led Colt with three hits, including a triple.

Magner's Store tops Virgilio 12-5

Magner's Drug Store defeated Virgilio's Construction, 12-5, in South Little League action Wednesday night at Deming Field. John Robinson pitched the win.

Dave Lussier led the winning attack with three hits. Robinson and Tom Tuggey contributed two safeties each. Two-hit players for Virgilio's were Kevin Fox and Ed Elias. Shaun McHugh was the losing pitcher.

JUL 13 1973 McDonald's triumphs on Anello's single

Dan Anello's two-run single in the last of the sixth inning clinched a 12-11 victory for McDonald's over the Pittsfield Pipers last night in an East Little League clash. Mike Carpenter had three hits for the victors and Chris Miller three for the Pipers.

Jim Crocker, John Koscher and John Gould did the pitching. Koscher was credited with the win. There were 18 hits and nine errors in the contest.

Jerry Ciejska hits home run

Jerry Ciejska had four hits including his third home run of the season to lead Moldmaster in a 27-5 thrashing of Besse Clarke in an East Little League game last night.

Ciejska's drive went over the left field fence. Bill Shea struck out 11 batters in gaining the win. Dan Potter also contributed mightily to his team's 15-hit attack with three safeties.

Besse grinds up MacDonald's

Besse-Clarke heaped 13 hits and 20 runs on MacDonald's yesterday in the East Little League and came away with a quarter-pounder of a victory, 20-6.

Pete Gerlach fired a five-hitter and collected three hits at bat to lead the winners. Dave Burt, Tim Noonan and Mark Lenihan all had two hits for Besse, while Jon Koscher had a double and Jim Crocker stroked a triple for the Hamburgers. Koscher also took the loss.

JUL 17 1973

Stevenson, Italiani ELL winners

Stevenson Insurance and the Italian-American Club were East Little League winners last week. Stevenson thumped the Tank Shop, 21-1, on Friday, and the Italians shaded City Savings Bank, 11-10, on Thursday.

Stevenson opened the game with five runs in the first inning. By the end of the fifth, the insurance team had all its runs. Tank Shop made its only score in the third.

Regan was the winning pitcher. Mark Latakas had three for three for Stevenson's.

The Italians won their game by scoring five runs in the sixth inning.

A bases-loaded double by Mike Brennan won the game. Pete Tierney was a perfect three for the winners. Pete McCaffery homered for City Savings Bank.

Madison victor behind Kellar

Madison's North Little League baseball team scored an easy 19-1 win over the Police Department squad Monday night at Wahconah Field. Pete Kellar pitched a three-hitter for Madison and fanned 10. Leading hitters for the victors were Mark Pierson with three hits, and Dan Bence, Glenn Barcher and Rick Murphy with two each.

Friday night the Elks defeated Zayre's 11-10 for their 12th straight triumph. Mike Winston's double with two out in the sixth drove in the tying and winning runs.

Other offensive stars for the Elks were George Mickle with a home run and single, Tim Messer with a double and single, and Joe Larkin and Ray Charow with a pair of base hits each. Zayre's Bill Lennon and Dean DeCarlo had a double and single apiece.

Burger Chef wins in East

Burger Chef defeated IUE, 8-6, in the East Little League last night.

Winning pitcher John Bartow struck out nine batters. Loser Scott Madden fanned seven.

Tom Mazzer led the attack for Burger Chef with three hits in four times at bat and two RBIs. Scott Groves also drove in two runs for the winners. He had three hits, including a home run and a double.

Bill Carpenter drove in two runs for the losers with two hits.

JUL 19 1973 Elks extend North LL skein to seven games

The Elks extended their North Little League winning streak to seven games by defeating the second-place Fire Department 4-1 Tuesday night at Wahconah Field.

Chris Harrington won his sixth game of the year striking out 11 Firemen. Gary Adams, George Mickle and Tim Messer led the attack for the winners.

Mark Resnick was brilliant in defeat for the Fire Department. He struck out 15 batters and hit a home run for his team's only score.

JUL 18 1973 LL tourney will begin tomorrow

The Berkshire County (District 1) Little League tournament will begin tomorrow with four first-round games.

The four Pittsfield teams will be paired against one another, with South playing North at Wahconah Park and West meeting East at the Benedict Road field. The other bracket lists Lee at Williamstown and Adams at Great Barrington.

Semifinals are scheduled for Saturday, and the championship contest Thursday, July 26.

All games will begin at 6 p.m.

Pittsfield South is the defending champion. South captured also the Western Massachusetts and Section 1 playoffs last year before being eliminated by Arlington in the state semifinals.

City Savings, Eastside Pizza are victorious

City Savings Bank defeated Virgilio's Construction, 9-4, in South Little League action Tuesday night at Deming Field. Rick Malec was the winning pitcher and Pete Trahanas, the loser. Malec and Tom Murphy had two hits apiece for the winners. Best for Virgilio's were Kevin Fox with a three-run homer and Matt Stracuzzi with a pair of safeties.

Monday night Eastside Pizza turned back Stevenson Insurance 6-4. Jimmy Cobb hurled the win and Keenan Brinn took the loss. Tom Patricelli of Eastside had two hits.

Pittsfield South, north clubs bow in LL tourney

Defending champion Pittsfield South and the representative teams from north county were eliminated yesterday in the Berkshire County Little League championships.

Pittsfield South was knocked off by Pittsfield North 7-2, while northern entries Williamstown and Adams were handed 7-3 and 2-0 defeats, respectively, by Lee and Great Barrington. In the fourth game played yesterday, Pittsfield West beat Pittsfield East 9-5.

The semifinal round of the tournament will be played tomorrow with the finals slated for next Thursday.

JUL 20 1973 Stevenson wins in South

Stevenson Insurance defeated the Italian-American Club, 18-7, last night in the South Little League.

Pete Langlois had three hits for Stevenson and Bob Chiaretta and Mark Latakas, two each. Danny Regan was the winning pitcher. Rick Hebert took the loss.

Pittsfield teams, Lee, G. Barrington in semis

Pittsfield North and Pittsfield West will meet at Wahconah Park, and Great Barrington will be at Lee in the semifinal round of the Berkshire County Little League tournament tonight. Both games are slated to begin at 6.

Pittsfield North eliminated the defending champion, Pittsfield South, in the first round Thursday by a score of 7-2. South and Great Barrington have won the title in recent seasons.

Pittsfield West, led by Pat

Gagne, dropped Pittsfield East 9-5 Thursday. Gagne struck out 11 in gaining the victory, and he rapped four straight hits as well. Teammate Dan Sheran and East's John Patella also played good games.

Lee ousted Williamstown 7-3, and Great Barrington eliminated Adams 2-0 to gain the semifinals. Tom Prinz and Bob Murray combined for Lee's pitching, while Bob Daley hit a two-run. Jim DeVarennes and Mike Salinetti of Lee had two hits each.

JUL 20 1973 GE Credit Union defeats Pipers 11-3

In East Little League play Wednesday night the GE Credit Union downed the Pittsfield Pipers 11-3. John Breznick of the victors pitched well. Dan Tagliente and Rick Belair led the hitters. Losing pitcher Ted Boraski and Den LeBeau played well for the Pipers. The Losers were guilty of several errors.

IUE 255 East LL game

The hitting of Scott Groves and Scott Madden and the pitching of Bill Carpenter combined to lead the IUE 255 East Little League team to a 14-4 victory over Besse Clarke last night.

Grove had a home run among his three safeties and two RBIs. Madden had three hits and three RBIs. Mark Lenihan hit a double for Besse's.

Defensive standouts were Lenihan and IUE's Bob Harrington.

Pittsfield West, Great Barrington are LL finalists

Pittsfield West and Great Barrington won semifinal games in the Berkshire County Little League tournament Saturday. They will meet for the championship Thursday at 6 p.m. at Clapp Park.

West defeated Pittsfield North 2-1. Great Barrington eliminated Lee 4-2 at Lee.

JUL 24 1973 Virgilio's, CSB score South loop victories

Virgilio's downed M & W, 6-2, and City Savings triumphed over Tank Shop, 10-7, in weekend South Little League contests at Deming Field. Kevin Fox and Shaun McHugh of Virgilio's and Rick Cimino, Jimmy Ferguson and Darrin Klamanski of M & W, each had two hits. Gene Welter was the winning pitcher.

Mark Morgan fired the victory for City Savings and contributed two hits. Steve Funk broke a 4-4 tie with a bases-loaded triple. Mark Lester had a pair of safeties for the Tank Shop.

Police, Fire triumph in North circuit

The Police Department beat Stanley's Grill 5-2 and the Fire Department romped past Colt Insurance, 20-8, in North Little League contests Sunday at Wahconah Field.

Police pitchers Kevin Beeler and Mark Symanski combined to fan 14. Symanski was credited with the win. Rick Parzick was the leading hitter for the winners with two safeties. Jim Hassett had a pair of hits for Stanley's.

Chris and Jay Porter had three hits apiece and Mark Resnick two for the Fire Department. Jon Papa pitched the win.

Potter, Trouas lead Moldmaster

Dan Potter survived a three-run home run by Dave Crawford of Burger Chef in early going last night in the East Little League and went on to strike out 12 Burgers as Moldmasters beat the Chefs 6-5.

Mike Trouas delivered a three-run shot of his own in the Mold cause to offset Crawford's drive, and Peter Tucker chipped in three hits to pace the winners. John Patella was the losing pitcher, although he looked strong fanning 10.

The GE Credit Union topped McDonald's 11-7 in an East Little League game Monday night at Benedict Road Field. Winning pitcher Gerard Griffith struck out 12. Loser Jim Crocker fanned nine.

Big hitters in the game were Jay Abair and John Breznick with a double and single each and Dave DiOrto with a triple for GE Credit Union, and Mike Carpenter with two singles and a triple and John Gould with a three-run homer for McDonald's.

In East League play Sunday, Burger Chef, behind the one-hit pitching of Tim Mazzer, defeated the Pittsfield Pipers 12-3. Mazzer fanned 15. John Patella led the winning attack with four hits. Jim Kostyun spoiled Mazzer's no-hitter with a double in the sixth inning.

JUL 25 1973

Big N, Eagles triumph in West LL games

Big N downed the Civitan Club 16-12, and the Eagles edged Connor Pharmacy 3-2 in the two most recent games in the West Little League.

Jay Casella was the winning pitcher for Big N. Scott Tobler was the loser for Civitan Club. Leading the attack for Big N were Joe Puia and Mike Sweeney. Puia was four for four and had a grand slam. Sweeney went four for five. One was a round-tripper. Mark White led Civitan with four for five, including three doubles.

Matt Hamilton was the central figure for the Eagles. He not only was the winning pitcher but also rapped two hits and scored the deciding run. Losing pitcher Joel Scussell led Connor at bat with two for two.

Gull Oil beats Connor club 9-2

Gull Oil turned back Connor Pharmacy 9-2 in a West Little League game at Clapp Park Sunday on the four-hit pitching of Mike Hennessey. He struck out nine.

Mark Gifford hit a three-run double for the winners. Randy Taikowski of Connor's was the only player in the game with two hits.

JUL 25 1973

JUL 26 1973 County LL title at stake tonight at 6

The Berkshire County Little League championship will be decided tonight when Pittsfield West and Great Barrington meet at Clapp Park. Game time is 6.

They are the survivors of eight county teams that began the playoffs a week ago. West eliminated Pittsfield East 9-5 in the first round and Pittsfield North 2-1 in the semifinals. Great Barrington has won over Adams, 2-0, and Lee 4-2.

Pat Gagne will be the starting pitcher for the Pittsfield team. Mark Murray will be his catcher. The team is managed by Mike Messina and coached by Wayne Goodrich.

Jim Seidman is scheduled to start for Great Barrington with Joe Grossetti catching.

The winner will represent the county in the bi-district tournament at Longmeadow next week.

JUL 27 1973 Gull Oil wins 9-1 in West LL

Gull Oil beat Berkshire Vendring, 9-6, in a West Little League game Wednesday night at Clapp Park.

Mark Gifford was the winning pitcher. He gave eight hits and struck out five.

Mark Ringie had a double and single for the winners. Richard Hayes, Andy Caprio and Dave Bedarczyk each had two hits for the losers. Hayes had two doubles. Bedarczyk and Caprio also had doubles.

Jeff Caden hits 2 HRs in South LL

Jeff Caden hit two home runs, one a grand slam, to lead Eastside Pizza to a 20-3 clobbering of first place Magner's Drug Store. It was the first loss for Magner's in the second half of the South Little League. Tom Haling gave up only four hits for Eastside.

Joining Caden with two hits was Jimmy Cobb. Dean DiMassimo, Gary Bianchi and Doug Smith, each had base hits for Eastside. Rick Tuggey led the losers with two hits. Pat McGowan and John O'Brien each added a single. Fourteen walks were issued by three Magner's pitchers.

Elks win 14th straight in NLL; Colts fall 17-10

George Mickle drove in five runs with three base hits last night as the Elks rolled to their 14th straight victory in the North Little League with a 17-10 beating of Colt Insurance.

In addition to Mickle's muscle, the Elks were led by a triple and two singles by Tim Messer, and a pair of hits each by Joe Larkin and Gary Adams. Mickle was the winning pitcher in the free-swinging affair, which was highlighted on the Colt side by Alex Pires's three hits.

In Wednesday night action in the North, Zayre upset Stanley's, 5-2, behind the one-hit pitching of Noel Richardson and John King, who combined to strike out 10 steaming Stanleys. Dave Quetti was the losing hurler but not before he managed to fan 15 Zayre batters.



LITTLE LEAGUE CHAMPION OF Berksh. County, the Pittsfield West team, will advance to Section I title play tomorrow night at Northampton. The squad personnel is, left to right, first row: Mike Dooley, Dan Sheran, Mark Murray, Rich Hayes, John Tierney, Jeff Schilling, Dean Messina and John Donovan; second row: coach Wayne Goodrich, Mike Hennessey, Paul Quadrozzi, Mark Connor, Mark White, Mike Sweeney, Pat

Gagne and manager Mike Messina. The local team will meet the Northampton East all-stars, the District 2 champion, for the section crown tomorrow. The section championship contest had been set tentatively for Longmeadow but when the Northampton team won its district, the 5:30 tilt was shifted. The field is located near the Northampton Fair Grounds.

Bill Mahan

Fast food folk roll in ELL

In East Little League action over the weekend, the fast food outlets, McDonald's and Burger Chef, scored victories. McDonald's shaded Moldmasters, 2-1, in seven innings behind the four-hit pitching of John Gould and the hitting of Jim Crocker and Mike Carpenter. Mike Trova had a double and a triple for the losers. John Bartow of the Chfs threw a 4-hit, 12 strikeout win past the GE Credit Union. The final 6-2 margin was paced by three John Patella hits.

Besse-Clarke took it on the chin twice in the ELL, losing to the Pittsfield Pipers, 13-3, on Thursday and dropping a 15-8 decision to the GE Credit Union on Saturday.

The Pipers and pitcher Ted Boraski held Besse to five hits in the first game, with Boraski also getting two hits to pace the winner's offense. In the second game, Besse actually outhit the Creditors 13-12, but lost anyway. Danny Taglienti had four hits for GE and Ron Woucik had a pair of doubles for the losers.

JUL 30 1973

JUL 31 1973 West Little Leaguers at Northampton tonight

Pittsfield West and Northampton East will meet tonight at 5:30 at the Northampton Little League field for the Western Massachusetts Little League championship.

The game will be the first for a West team in advanced tournament competition since 1967. That team lost in its attempt at the crown.

Coach Mike Messina plans to start either Mike Sweeney or Pat Gagne on the mound for Pittsfield. The one who does not pitch will play shortstop. Mark Murray will be the catcher. The other infielders will be John Donovan, first base; Danny Sheran, second base; and Mark White, third base.



The outfield will be manned by Rich Hayes, Mike Hennessey and Mark Connor. In reserve are Mike Dooley, Paul Quadrozzi, John Tierney, Dean Messina and Jeff Schilling.

Fans planning to attend the game are advised to leave Route 9 at Look Park and take 9A. They should continue on toward the Coolidge Memorial Bridge, taking a right turn before the bridge. The field is approximately two blocks from that intersection and near the Northampton fair grounds.

JUL 31 1973 Shea pitches Moldmasters past Pipers

Billy Shea hurled a four-hit, 11-strikeout ball game in the East Little League last night to lead the Moldmasters past the Pittsfield Pipers 10-4. Charlie Burnick was the batting star for the winners, going four for four at the plate. Pete Tucker and Shea each had two hits for Moldmasters. Jim Kostyun had two hits and a pair of runs batted in for the Pipers.

Scott Madden singled in Charlie Gauvin for the winning run in a 10-9 IUE Local victory over McDonald's Sunday night to complete a suspended game from Friday in the East. Madden gained the win on the mound, and both he and Gauvin had three hits at the plate for the union men.

JUL 26 1973 Belair, Brezniak lead GE to victory

Rick Belair cracked a single, double and triple, driving in three runs, and John Brezniak struck out 10 batters last night as General Electric knocked off IUE 12-8 in the East Little League.

Belair also starred in the field for the winners with 10 put-outs. IUE had a batting and fielding star as well in the person of Scott Groves, who homered twice and singled once for three RBIs and chipped in seven put-outs. The losing pitcher was Scott Madden.

JUL 31 1973
**Zayre's puts out
Fire Dept. hopes
for North flag**

In games played last week-end, in the North Little League, Zayre's upset the title hopes of the Fire Department 17-5, and Madison defeated Stanley's 15-9 and then lost to the Fire Department on Monday 5-3.

Leading hitters for Zayre's with two hits each were Jackie Henault, Gary Symanski, Noel Richardson and Jim Brown. Mark Resnick led the firemen with three hits.

Steve Walak pitched the Madison to its win over Stanley's. Top hitters were Glenn Barcher, Rick Murphy, Mark Pier-son and Tony Wojtkowski with two hits each.

Resnick then pitched a three-hitter, striking out 13 Madison batters to win his sixth game of the year. He also had three hits and scored three runs. Luke Smith added two hits to the attack. Pete Kellar pitched well in defeat for the Madison.

**15 straight
mark Elks'
title in NLL**

The Elks finished their North Little League regular season schedule by winning their 15th game in a row last night with a 5-3 conquest of Stanley's.

The Elks won the league championship for the second straight year. They also won the city championship in 1972.

Chris Harrington won his seventh game, striking out 10, while Gary Adams drove in the winning runs and George Mickle scored three times.

Dave Quetti was the star for Stanley's, striking out 10 Elks and leading his team with two hits.

AUG 1 1973

**West LL
AUG 1 1973
ousted by
'Hamp 4-2**

**Sweener homers
in defeat for
Pittsfield team**

NORTHAMPTON — Pittsfield's West Little League all-stars bowed out of the tournament picture last night, when Northampton East downed them 4-2 here.

Northampton scored three times in the last of the fifth to overcome a 2-1 Pittsfield lead. Both teams had scored in the third.

Eleven-year-old Mike Sweener, the starting and losing pitcher, accounted for both West runs with a home run. Rich Hayes had a double and single and Mike Hennessey, two singles, to join in Pittsfield's seven-hit attack. The other singles were by John Donovan and Pat Gagne. Hayes scored on Sweener's homer.

Mark Palato of Northampton struck out 13 batters to help his cause considerably. He was backed by an error-less defense.

Mark White relieved Sweener in the fatal inning, which included a home run and three singles by 'Hamp. The home team rapped out nine hits altogether. Pittsfield made two errors.

**Burgers topple
Golden Arches**

Pitcher John Patella struck out 12 and catcher Tim Mazzer went 3-for-4 and knocked in two runs as Burger Chef conquered its fast-food rivals from McDonald's, 6-4, in the East Little League last night.

The Big Macs couldn't counter the potent battery of the Chefs, although losing hurler Jim Crocker went 2-for-3 with a double. Defensively, the Macs looked great, turning in three double plays, but they lost anyway.

AUG 1 1973

**AUG 3 1973
Police Dept.
locks up
Zayre's 9-2**

The Police Department locked up Zayre's 9-2 Wednesday night at Wahconah Park in the North Little League. Mark Symanski hurled a three-hitter and struck out 12 batters to lead the winners, who finished the second half of the season in third place.

Sam Anello, Rick Parzick, Kevin Beeler and Mark Devine had extra-base hits for the policemen, while Billy Lennon paced Zayre's with two hits.

The final second-half NLL standings are as follows: Elks (8-0), Fire Department (6-2), Police Department (5-3), Madison (4-4), Zayre's (3-5), Stanley's (1-7), and Colt (1-7).

Mike Sweener scored four

**Besse Clarke
tops Chefs, 9-5**

Besse Clarke exploded for five runs in the top of the seventh en route to defeating Burger Chef, 9-5, in East Little League action last night. Pete Gerlach and Mike Dunn had two hits each for the winners.

Gerlach was winning pitcher after being relieved by Dave Burt in the seventh. The hurling duo held the Chefs to no more than one hit apiece, save for John Patella, who nicked them for two.

AUG 4 1973

**Gull Oil team
gains playoff**

Gull Oil defeated Big N 8-5 to gain a tie for the West Little League's second-half title yesterday. The playoff game between the teams will be Tuesday at 5:30 at Clapp Park.

Mark Gifford, Paul Penna and Larry Zradi got two hits each for Gull's. Mike Hennessey was the winning pitcher. Losing pitcher Jay Cassella and Mark Murray had a pair of hits for Big N. Murray slammed a three-run homer.

AUG 6 1973

**AUG 6 1973
Northampton
in final round**

Northampton East, Little League conqueror of Berkshire champ Pittsfield West, gained the final round of the state tournament Saturday.

Northampton defeated Orange 5-1 and will meet Acton Friday in a semifinal game at Easthampton. Weymouth and Needham will play the other game. The title will be decided Saturday.

times and knocked in four runs with a single, triple and his sixth home run of the season Monday night to lead the Big N to an easy 19-1 rout of Connor Pharmacy in the West Little League.

Rick Tetlow was the winning pitcher for Big N, striking out five and scattering four hits. Tetlow also doubled, along with teammate John Dooley. John Donovan had two hits for the losers.

**AUG 6 1973
Moldmasters win
ELL in a walk**

Moldmasters captured first place in the East Little League over the weekend with two convincing playoff victories against Burger Chef and GE Credit Union.

In the first game on Saturday, Dan Potter stroked a two-run homer, his first of the year, and fired a two-hitter to lead the Masters past the Burgers 14-2. He was joined at the plate by Jerry Cieja, who went 3-for-5. The second game was a similar romp, this time by 15-8 over the GECU. Potter again led the offense with a homer, while winning pitcher Bill Shea contributed three hits and Pete Tucker knocked in three runs. GE's Dan Tagliente had three hits in three trips.

In other ELL action last Thursday, IUE Local 255 beat the Pittsfield Pipers, 5-1, on a three-hitter by Bob Harrington and Scott Madden.

**Big N team wins
West LL title 1973**

Big N won the championship of the West Little League last night by defeating Gull Oil 7-6 at Clapp Park.

Big N scored three runs in the first and four more in the second to get a big jump. Steve Messina cracked a second-inning home run.

Mike Sweener picked up the pitching win. Joe Puia had three straight hits, and Paul Donovan and Mark Cassella had two safeties each for the winners.

Brendan Hennessey was the top player for Gull Oil.

**AUG 8 1973
LL round-robin**

Two teams from the South League and one each from the North and East circuits won opening-round games last night in the Little League's annual round-robin tournament.

East Side Pizza edged Gull Oil & Coal, 13-12, at Deming, and Magner's Drug downed Burger Chef, 4-2, at the Benedict Road field to uphold South honors. The North's Fire Department team won over the Eagles, 2-1, in a Clapp Park thriller, and the East's GE Credit Union eliminated Police Department, 7-3, at Wahconah.

As a result, Friday's semifinals will match East Side Pizza, SLL runner-up during the regular season, and Fire Department, North's No. 2 team, at Deming and Credit Union, East runner-up, and Magner's a third-place finisher, at Wahconah.

Both games will start at 6 p.m.

Jeff Caden of East Side cracked two home runs and a single, the second round-tripper breaking an 11-1 tie to provide the winning runs. Mark Resnick of PFD hit a game-winning homer in the top of the sixth. He also had two other hits, hurled a one-hitter, and struck out 15. Rick Parzick hit a home run to lead the Credit Union team. Dave Lusier hurled a three-hitter, struck out 13, and stroked a double to pace winning Magner's.

**City series
in LL opens
tomorrow**

**Runner-up teams
in round-robin
starting tonight**

The post season championship series of the Pittsfield Little League will get under way in the next two nights. All tourney games will start at 5:30.

The city championship series will open tomorrow with games at the Clapp Park and Wahconah Park LL fields.

At Clapp, Big N, champion of the West League, will meet East League winner Moldmaster. At Wahconah, the Elks team, winner of the North LL, will take on the South champs, Stevenson's Insurance.

The winners will meet Saturday at the home field of the North-South victor.

The annual round-robin tourney, which involves the runner-up and third-place teams in each of the four leagues, opens tonight.

The schedule sends Police Department (North, 3rd place) against GE Credit Union (East, 2nd) at Wahconah; Burger Chef (East, 3rd) against Magner's Drug (South, 3rd) at the Benedict Road field; East Side Pizza (South, 2nd) against Gull Oil (West, 2nd) at Deming Park; and the Eagles team (West, 3rd) against Fire Department (North, 3rd) at Clapp Park.

Semifinals will be played Friday, the title game Sunday.

AUG 8 1973

**AUG 10 1973
Elks, Big N
reach city
playoff final**

**Both clubs survive
tough semifinals,
Elks are torrid**

The red-hot Elks and the big, bad Big N moved into the final round of the city Little League championship playoffs yesterday with victories over Stevenson's Insurance and Moldmasters.

The Elks, who are riding the crest of a 16-game winning streak, called on the pitching of Chris Harrington, who won his eighth game of the season, the clutch hitting of Tim Messer, who knocked in the winning runs in the 5-2 decision over Stevenson's.

The Big N survived a harder test in reaching the finals. Despite a 13-strikeout performance by Moldmaster hurler Dan Potter, the Biggies were able to rap out 11 hits, including doubles by Steve Messina and Mike Sweener, to win the game 6-4. Theron Goodrich came on in relief of starter Jay Cassella in the fourth inning to gain the win.

The city championship game will be held tomorrow night at Wahconah Park at 5:30.

**AUG 11 1973
Magner's Rx,
Pizza win
round-robin**

Magner's Drug Store and Eastside Pizza won semi-finals of the Little League round robin action last night. Magner's defeated GE Credit Union, 15-1, and Eastside Pizza overran Pittsfield Fire Dept., 17-3.

John Robinson pitched a two-hitter and fanned 10 to lead Magner's to victory at East Field. Pat McGowan, Shane Reagan and Tom Tuggey all had two hits each for the winners. Reagan also had four RBIs. John Brezniak accounted for both GE hits.

Eastside Pizza collected 10 of their runs in the last inning, and three in the first on a three-run homer by Jeff Caden. Caden was 4 for 4, and teammates Gary Bianchi, 2 for 3, and Jim Cobb, 2 for 4.

For P.F.D., Mark Resnick went 2 for 3. Caden was the winning pitcher, while John Papa suffered the loss.

AUG 13 1973
Little League
title contest
reset tonight

The city championship Little League baseball game between the North League champion Elks and West League champion Big N at Wahconah Little League Field was rained out twice over the weekend and has been rescheduled for tonight at 5:30. The contest was set for Saturday and reslated for yesterday following the Saturday-evening rain.

In the final game of the Little League round-robin involving the league runners-up and third-place teams, Magner's Drug Store edged East Side Pizza, 4-3, yesterday. Magner's was third in the South circuit in the regular season and East Side second.

AUG 14 1973



Paul Rocheleau

CITY'S BEST Little League team is the North circuit champion Elks, which defeated Big N of the West loop 7-6 for the city crown. Squad personnel are, left to right: first row, Jim Greenleaf, Jim Gleason, Tom Reilly, Bob Hebert, Steve Charow, Joe Larkin and Bill Clark; sec-

ond row, Tim Supranowicz, Fran Plankey, George Mickle, Gary Adams, Mike Winston, Tim Messer, Chris Harrington and Ray Charow. Coach Jack Hogan is at the rear.

Elks take
LL crown
once again

North Leaguers
down Big N in
city title game

The Elks of the North League won the city's Little League championship for the second straight year as they knocked off West kingpin Big N, 7-6, in the final game at Wahconah field.

The victory was the 17th straight for the Elks, who ended their season with a 19-1 record under coach Jack Hogan.

George Mickle hurled a five-hitter against Big N to gain his sixth win of the season without a loss. Joe Larkin excelled at shortstop by handling eight chances flawlessly.

The winners scored twice in the bottom of the fourth to overcome a 6-5 deficit, then held Big N at bay. Mike Winston's hit drove in the deciding run.

Other top Elk hitters were Gary Adams with a long home run, Tim Messer with two hits and two RBIs, and Chris Harrington with a pair of singles.

Big N pitcher Mike Sweeney rapped a double and single, and Steve Messina cracked a triple.

North LL holds
postseason
father-son buffet

The North Little League held its annual father and son buffet yesterday at the St. Charles' parish hall with approximately 200 in attendance.

Fran McDonald, president of the Little League, presented former players' agent Tom Murphy with a plaque in appreciation for his services.

Other presentations were made to the winning Elks ball club, which received the John J. Landers memorial trophy given annually in memory of one of the league's founders and long-time coaches, and to all NLL 12-year-olds, who received certificates.

SEP 29 1973
Will Altman
re-elected South
League president

Will Altman was re-elected president of the South Little Baseball League and Mario Tassinari was re-elected vice president at the annual election Thursday night at the Italian American Club. Other officers chosen were Fran Kelly, treasurer; Leo Nutting, secretary; and Sig Murawski, player agent.

State orders LL to let girls play

**Woman examiner
makes ruling
in New Jersey**

NEWARK, N.J. (AP) — New Jersey has become the first state in the nation to order Little League baseball teams to permit girls to play.

"The institution of Little League is as American as the hotdog and apple pie," Hearing Examiner Sylvia Pressler of the state's Civil Rights Division declared Wednesday. "There is no reason why that part of Americana should be withheld from girls."

"We must start somewhere in reversing the trends in this society. Girls should be treated no differently than boys."

The ruling, which covers only New Jersey teams, followed a complaint by a Hoboken girl against Little League Baseball, Inc. of Williamsport, Pa., after the girl was ejected from a team whose charter had been threatened by the national organization.

The complaint by Maria Pepe, 12, was prepared by the National Organization of Women.

Attorneys for Little League Baseball said they would appeal Mrs. Pressler's ruling to the Appellate Division of Superior Court, the state's second highest tribunal, and to the State Supreme Court if necessary.

Miss Pepe's complaint was filed in 1972. Despite her victory, she is now too old to try out for her team, the Hoboken Young Dems.

NOV 10 1973

APR 30 1973
Clinic slated tomorrow for softball umpires

A clinic for softball umpires will be conducted tomorrow night at 8 at Imperial Lanes on Lyman Street. Any person planning on umpiring in the Park Department Slow Pitch League should attend. Anyone wishing to sign up to umpire may do so at the clinic.

Many changes have been made in softball rules this year and it is important that veteran umpires as well as new applicants attend. Joe Harrison, umpire in chief, will have charge of the clinic. He will be assisted by Al Bianchi and Vin Zito.

Slow pitch softball loop opens Monday

Brewers, Irish in 1st game at Lakewood Field

The Department of Parks and Recreation City Slow Pitch League opens its season with three games Monday at Lakewood Field.

In the first game Falstaff Brewers and the Irish Americans will play at 6:30 p.m. The second game at 7:30 p.m. will pit Shedd Plumbing against Fenn & Fourth Cafe and in the final game at 8:30 Arace's Datsun Auto will be going against James Jewelers.

Fourteen teams have been registered, the same as last year. The league has been divided into two divisions with six teams in the National division and eight teams in the American division.

New teams this season are Irish Americans replacing Dapson Opticians and the Water Department replacing Gasland. Also, Roger's Jewelers has the spot held by Hurley's Variety, the Berkshire Common replaces Jerry's Cafe, Fenn & Fourth Cafe is replacing the Busy Bee and Shedd Plumbing will be replacing Sun Life.

The schedule for the balance of the week follows: Tuesday 6:30—Dick Joseph's Auto Body vs. Eagle Cafe, 7:30—Roger's Jewelers vs. Berkshire Common, 8:30—O'Connell Cadillac vs. Shedd Plumbing.

Wednesday 6:30—DelGallo's Restaurant vs. Telephone Co., 7:30—Falstaff Brewers vs. Arace's Datsun, 8:30—Roger's Jewelers vs. Irish American.

Thursday 6:30—Eagle Cafe vs. Berkshire Common, 7:30—Dick Joseph's Auto Body vs. James Jewelers, 8:30—DelGallo's Restaurant vs. Water Department.

Friday 6:30—O'Connell Cadillac vs. Water Department, 7:30—Telephone Co. vs. Fenn & Fourth Cafe.

Merritt Chapman again will be head scorekeeper, and Joseph Harrison umpire-in-chief.

MAY 5 1973

MAY 8 1973
First games in CSPSL low scoring

Fenn & Fourth, Shedd, James Jewelers win

The City Slow-Pitch Softball League opened last night at Lakewood Field with two low-scoring contests. Falstaff Brewers defeated the Irish Americans, 6-3, in the inaugural and Fenn & Fourth Cafe turned back Shedd Plumbing, 6-2, in the second clash. The third game of the night was a slugfest with James Jewelers coming out on top of Arace's Datsun 14-10.

Dan Powers and Walt Piotrowski led Falstaff with three hits each. Chuck Simonelli had two to pace the Irish Americans. Ted Burzimati and Mike Arpanti of Shedd's and Jerry Chaffre of Fenn & Fourth had two safeties apiece in the second game.

Rod Corey of the Jewelers had a double and three singles in four times at bat. Teammate Al Belanger belted two home runs and a single and Bob Shack of the Jewelers had three hits. Dave Melle paced Arace's with three.

Tonight Dick Joseph Auto Body will play Eagle Cafe at 6:30, Rogers Jewelers will meet Berkshire Common at 7:30 and O'Connell Cadillac will take on Shedd Plumbing at 8:30.

2 slugfests in city slow pitch loop

Two of the three games in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League last night at Lakewood Field were slugfests. In the other one, Berkshire Common edged Rogers Jewelry 6-5.

In the scoring orgies, Shedd Plumbing overwhelmed O'Connell Cadillac 29-5 and Eagle Cafe rolled over Dick Joseph's Auto 25-9.

Pete Boyd, Mike McKeever and Frank McKeever had two hits each for Berkshire Common. Craig Leslie and Joe Kaminski had two apiece for Rogers Jewelry.

Massachusetts football star Paul Metallo and Cliff Nilan had four safeties each and Dick Sweeney, Bob Choiniere, Jim Leonard and Jim Albano three apiece for Eagle Cafe. Mike Murray had four for four for Dick Joseph's and Jay Daury and Jack Bartow two each for the losers. One of Bartow's was a homer.

Bob Martin, Mike Trudeau, Frank Tish and Joe Markham had three hits each for the Shedd team. Keith Dapper had five safeties, Don Warfield four for the winners. R.M. O'Connell, John Mahanna, Walt Hunt and Tony Pastore had two apiece for O'Connell.

Three games are scheduled in the league for tonight at Lakewood Field. The pairings are as follows: at 6:30, Del Gallo's Restaurant vs. New England Telephone Co.; at 7:30, Falstaff Brewers vs. Arace's Datsun; at 8:30, Rogers Jewelers vs. Irish-Americans.

MAY 9 1973

Slow-pitch tilts are rained out

The three-game slate in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League was rained out last night. The schedule tonight will match Eagle Cafe and Berkshire Common at 6:30, Dick Joseph's Auto Body and James Jewelers at 7:30, and Del Gallo's Restaurant and the Water Department at 8:30.

MAY 10 1973

Softball tilts are decided by one run

Two City Slow-Pitch Softball League games last night at Lakewood Field were decided by one run. Berkshire Common edged Eagle Cafe 4-3 in eight innings, and James Jewelers downed Dick Joseph's Auto Body 6-5. The Water Department - Del Gallo Restaurant contest was called in the second inning because of rain.

Dan Reed and Walt Kopychak started Berkshire Common's game-winning rally with singles. Frank McKeever, running for Reed, scored the winning run all the way from second base on a long sacrifice fly to right field by Jim Watroba. Dan Reed had three hits in the tilt and Mike Reed a triple and single for the winners.

Two-hit players in the second contest were Fran Reardon, Bob Shade and Bill Grazyk of James Jewelers and Steve Gleason, Gary Papallo and Bruce Pivero for Dick Joseph's.

Tonight O'Connell Cadillac-Olds will play the Water Department at 6:30, The Telephone Co. will face Fenn & Fourth Cafe at 7:30 and Rogers Jewelers will take on the Irish-Americans at 8:30.

MAY 11 1973

Water Dept. edges Shedd in softball

MAY 15 1973

The Water Department scored twice in the top of the seventh and final inning to overcome a 9-8 Shedd Plumbing lead and win the third game of last night's City Slow-Pitch Softball League tripleheader at Lakewood Field.

The Water boys scored their 10 runs on 17 hits, paced by four hits by Wayne Mickle. Shedd had nine safeties, led by Mike Trudeau with three.

The other two contests last night were decided on big innings as O'Connell Cadillac-Olds and Falstaff Brewers beat Del Gallo's Restaurant and Rogers Jewelry, respectively.

O'Connell erupted for 14 runs in the first inning of its game to put Del Gallo's to rout early. Walt Hunt and Dick Ward led the 28-hit massacre with five hits apiece for the Caddies.

The Brewers-Jewelers confrontation was closer — 10-8 — but a seven-run third frame put the game on ice for Falstaff. Dan Powers, Dick Premalini and Jim Clark all had three hits for the winners.

This evening's action at Lakewood will see Dick Joseph's Auto Body play Arace's Datsun at 6:30, Fenn & Fourth take on the Water Department at 7:30, and O'Connell Cadillac tangle with New England Telephone Co. at 8:30.

Slow-pitch games postponed by rain

All games scheduled last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League were rained out.

The league's program for tonight at Lakewood Field is as follows: Telephone Co. vs. Shedd Plumbing at 6:30; Eagle Cafe vs. Rogers Jewelers at 7:30; and Fenn and Fourth vs. Del Gallo's Restaurant at 8:30.

MAY 16 1973

Four guests appearing on TV sports program

Four guests are scheduled for Sam Levine's Channel 2 television sports show tonight at 8. They are John Marchesi, director of recreation for the Pittsfield Park Department and deputy state commissioner of softball; Harry Stevens, coach of the Crane & Co. Little League baseball team at Dalton; Pete Cowlin, president of the Dalton Babe Ruth League, and Fran McDonald, president of the Pittsfield Little League.

The quartet will discuss their leagues' summer activities and plans for opening days with Levine. Cohost Mark Levine will report on area high school sports.

MAY 16 1973

MAY 17 1973
Telephone Co. gets beaten in softball

In the City Slow-Pitch Softball League last night, Shedd Plumbing, Rogers Jewelers and Del Gallo's Restaurant were all winners.

In the first game, Shedd tagged Telephone Co. pitching for 17 hits and went on to ring up an 11-4 victory. Don Warfield and Brian Vincent paced the plumbers with three hits apiece.

The second contest featured the jewelers scoring a close, eight-inning 14-13 win over the Eagle Cafe. Hits by Pete Litano, Joe Kamenski and Ed Chandler pulled the game out for the Rogers outfit in a fray that saw no fewer than 40 hits.

In the final contest of the night, Del Gallo's struck for three runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to overcome a 4-2 Fenn & Fourth lead and win the game 5-4. Fenn & Fourth outhit Del Gallo's nine to six.

Tonight's softball action will find Berkshire Common meeting James Jewelers at 6:30, Eagle Cafe playing the Irish-Americans at 7:30, and Falstaff Brewers tangling with Dick Joseph's Auto Body in the third tilt.

Slow-pitch tilts are rained out

The three City Slow-Pitch Softball League games scheduled for Friday night at Lakewood Field were postponed because of rain.

Slated to play tonight are O'Connell Cadillac-Olds and Fenn & Fourth Cafe at 6:30, Irish Americans and Dick Joseph Auto Body at 7:30 and James Jewelers and Eagle Cafe at 8:30.

MAY 21 1973

Joseph team rallies for CSPSL win

Dick Joseph Auto Body scored three runs in the last of the seventh inning to top Falstaff Brewers 18-17 last night in City Slow-Pitch Softball League play at Lakewood Field. The Irish-Americans beat Eagle Cafe 7-4, and James Jewelers polished off Berkshire Common 10-6.

Jay Drury and Jack Bartow paced Dick Joseph's with four hits each. Tom Marano and Garry Pappalo of the winners and Tom Sinopoli, Red Soldato and Paul Clark of Falstaff's had three safeties each.

Other three-hit performances last night were by Ray Woitkowski of the Irish-Americans, Bob Tucker of Eagle Cafe, and Tony Belanger and Gary Wilker of Berkshire Common. Mike Reed of the Common club cracked a home run and triple.

Tonight's schedule will match Berkshire Common and Arace's Datsun at 6:30, James Jewelers and the Irish-Americans at 7:30 and Del Gallo's Restaurant and the Water Department at 8:30.

MAY 18 1973

Cadillacs, Irish win in city softball

O'Connell Cadillac edged the Fenn & Fourth Cafe 9-6, and the Irish-Americans walloped Dick Joseph's Auto Body 28-6 last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League. The rain concluded the second game of the proposed tripleheader after five innings and washed out the third game.

In the first game of the night, the Cadillacs overcame a 5-4 Fenn & Fourth lead in the top of the fifth, scoring three times to make the score 7-5, and they went on to win from there. The 14-hit O'Connell attack was paced by Jim Rouette, Mike Spalman and Jerry Francis, who had three hits each. The losing squad managed 10 hits, two apiece by Ted Burzimati and Ed Barzattini.

The second contest was mercifully curtailed after five innings as the Irish-Americans were pummeling the hapless Joseph team with 26 hits and 28 runs before the rains came. Tony Simonelli went four for four on the night, while teammates Bud Pellerin, Shaun Broderick, Dick MacCartney and Dave Sheran all contributed three hits for the winners. Mike Murray and Tom Marano each had three hits for the losers.

Tonight's action in the league will have the Water Department tangling with the Telephone Co. at 6:30, the Falstaff Brewers playing the Eagle Cafe at 7:30, and Arace's Datsun battling Rogers Jewelers at 8:30.

MAY 22 1973

MAY 23 1973 Jewelers rally to win in softball

Rogers Jewelers scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning and held on through the seventh to beat Araces Datsun, 7-6, last night in the third game of the City Slow-Pitch Softball League. Ed Chandler paced the winners with three hits; Frank Gai also got three hits for the Datsuns.

The second game of the night's tripleheader was also a close affair as the Falstaff Brewers survived a last inning rally by the Eagle Cafe to win 6-4. The Eagles out-hit the Brews, 15-11, led by Frank Duke and Joe Penna. Three Brewers had two hits each.

In the opening game, the Water Department drowned New England Telephone by the football margin of 23-6. John Baker collected five hits to generate the 27-hit Water Department attack, which also boasted four hits by Denny Duquette and three each by Jeff Wilson, Bill Pendergast, Fran Wilk and Greg Reillo. The telephone company had two field goals.

In action tonight, Shedd Plumbing plays Del Gallo's Restaurant at 6:30, Falstaff meets Berkshire Common at 7:30 and the Irish-Americans wind things up against Araces Datsun at 8:30.

MAY 24 1973 Arace Datsun edges Irish in thriller

Arace's Datsun edged the Irish-Americans 10-9 in a nine-inning thriller last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League at Lakewood Field. The score was tied 8-8 at the end of the regulation seven innings. Each team scored once in the eighth. A triple by Lou Orazio and a sacrifice fly by Gary Murphy won the game.

Orazio and Dick Wilson had four hits each for Arace's. Bud Pellerin and Shaun Broderick led the Irish-Americans with three hits apiece.

Del Gallo's Restaurant defeated Shedd Plumbing 8-5 and Falstaff Brewers rolled past Berkshire Common 15-5 in other contests. Don Hover and Chris Connolly led Del Gallo's with three hits each. Joe Markham and John Lander were best for Shedd with a pair of safeties apiece.

Jim Clark and Red Soldato with four hits and Jack Clark and Shaun Kirby with three each sparked Falstaff. Pete Boyd and Mike Reed of Berkshire Common rapped out three safeties each.

Tonight Del Gallo's will play New England Telephone at 6:30, James Jewelers will go against Rogers Jewelers at 7:30 and Berkshire Common will take on Dick Joseph Auto Body at 8:30.

Fenn & Fourth, Joseph's, Phone Company win

Dick Joseph's Auto Body edged Arace's Datsun 6-5, Fenn & Fourth Cafe trounced the Water Department 26-10 and the New England Telephone nipped O'Connell Cadillac-Olds 14-12 in City Slow-Pitch Softball League games Friday night at Lakewood Field.

The schedule tonight will match the Water Department and O'Connell Cadillac at 6:30, Arace's and Eagle Cafe at 7:30 and New England Telephone and Del Gallo's Restaurant at 8:30.

MAY 29 1973

MAY 30 1973 Arace Datsun is victorious in overtime

Arace's Datsun scored a run in the top of the eighth inning to nip Eagle Cafe 3-2 in a City Slow-Pitch Softball League game last night at Lakewood Field. Dick Wilson led the winners with three hits, including the one which drove in the winning run: Dick Sweeney, Mark Reynolds and Joe Penna had two hits apiece for Eagle Cafe.

Tom Smith of New England Telephone was the batting star of his team's 7-5 triumph over Del Gallo's restaurant with three safeties. Two-hit performances were turned in by Ed Herbert and Dave Bordeau of the victors and Ken Hover, Bob Alessio, Don Hover and Bill Torres of Del Gallo's.

The Water Department swamped O'Connell Cadillac-Olds 14-4. Bill Prendergast, Wayne Mickle and Fran Wilk led the winning offensive with three hits apiece. Bob Frazetta had three for O'Connell's.

Parings tonight will pit Fenn & Fourth Cafe and Shedd Plumbing at 6:30, Rogers Jewelry and Dick Joseph's Auto Body at 7:30 and the Water Department and New England Telephone at 8:30.

MAY 31 1973 Shedd team wins 9-3 in CSPSL

Shedd Plumbing defeated Fenn & Fourth Cafe 9-3 in a City Slow-Pitch Softball League game last night at Lakewood Field.

Because of rain, the second game was called after four innings and the third contest was postponed.

Bob Sononhalter, Frank Fish and Joe Markham had three hits each for Shedd Plumbing. Hank Barzottini had two hits for Fenn & Fourth.

Three games are scheduled for tonight. The slate is as follows: 6:30, Shedd Plumbing vs. Del Gallo's Restaurant; 7:30, O'Connell Cadillac vs. Fenn & Fourth Cafe; 8:30, Falstaff Brewers vs. James Jewelers.

Three close games mark City softball

Three close games highlighted the City Slow-Pitch Softball League last night at Lakewood Field. Del Gallo's Restaurant, O'Connell Cadillac and James Jewelers were all winners in one- and two-run ball games.

In the first contest of the evening, Del Gallo's scored six times in the first inning and added seven more by the fifth and held off a late-charging Shedd Plumbing squad that tallied nine times in the last two frames. The final was 13-12 with both teams pounding out 15 hits, led by Del Gallo's Ken Bissailon who had three.

The Cadillacs built up a 6-0 lead after six innings in the second game against the Fenn & Fourth Cafe and almost blew it as the F&Fers rallied for four runs in the bottom of the sixth. The Caddies hung on to win the game, 6-4, outitting the Cafe club, 13-9. Dick Ward had three hits.

In the final confrontation of the night, the Falstaff Brewers erupted for four runs in the top of the seventh and last inning to tie their game with James Jewelers at 10-10, but the Jewelers came back with one run in the bottom half to win the game 11-10. Outitting the Brewers 19-16, the James gang benefited from a four-hit performance by Paul Campoli and three-hit nights by Fran Reardon, Al Belanger and Rod Corey. Dan Powers had a trio of safeties for the losers.

Tonight's action will have the Irish-Americans taking on Berkshire Common at 6:30, the Brewers facing Araces Datsun at 7:30, and Rogers Jewelers playing the Irish-Americans in the nightcap at 8:30.

JUN 1 1973

Three romps highlight city softball

Arace's Datsun, the Falstaff Brewers and the Water Department rolled to easy wins last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League.

Datsun flattened James Jewelers 8-1, with a three-run first inning and a four-run seventh, paced by Wayne Ciepiela's three hits.

In the second game, the Brewers cooled off the streaking Irish-Americans by a 16-2 margin, outitting the Irish 20-4. Jack Clark, Walt Pictrowski and John Codey all had three hits for the Falstaff ten. Ray Woitkowski homered for the Irish-Americans.

The nightcap saw the Water Department roll over O'Connell Cadillac 10-3. Bill Pendergast and Denny Strizzi had home runs for the winners, and Fran Wilk contributed a trio of safeties.

In tonight's action, Shedd Plumbing meets O'Connell Cadillac at 6:30, Berkshire Common encounters Rogers Jewelers at 7:30, and the Eagle Cafe ties up with Dick Joseph's Auto Body at 8:30.

JUN 5 1973

JUN 4 1973 Irish take part in city softball

The Irish-Americans won twice Friday night to hike their City Slow-Pitch Softball League record to 4-2 and pull them within 1½ games of first place in the American Division. James Jewelers leads the American loop with a 5-0 mark.

The Irish knocked off Berkshire Common in the evening's opening game in a 9-8 thriller. Down 7-5 going into the seventh and final inning, they erupted for four runs to lead 9-7 and held the Common to one run in a rally in the bottom half to win the game. Chuck Simonelli, Jim McDonough and Dave Sheran all had three hits for the victors.

In the second game of the night, the Irish took a breather while Arace's Datsun ran over the Falstaff Brewers by a 5-1 score. Paced by three-hit performances from Dave Melle, Wayne Ciepiela and Steve Gerandi, atsun outit the Brewers 14-12. Dan Powers had a trio of safeties for the losers.

The third encounter of the program featured the second appearance of the Irish-Americans, and they showed little sign of overwork as they blanked Rogers Jewelers 10-0. Ray Woitkowski led the way with three hits, while the Irish pitching held the jewelers to a total of six singles.

Weather permitting, the games tonight will be Arace's Datsun vs. James Jewelers at 6:30, the Irish-Americans vs. Falstaff Brewers at 7:30, and the National Division leading Water Department playing O'Connell Cadillac in the 8:30 nightcap.

The division standings through last Friday night:

AMERICAN DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
James Jewelers	5	0	1000	—
Irish-Americans	4	2	667	1½
Falstaff Brewers	4	3	571	2
Arace's Datsun	3	3	500	2½
Dick Joseph's Auto Body	3	3	500	2½
Rogers Jewelers	2	4	333	3½
Berkshire Common	2	4	333	3½
Eagle Cafe	1	5	167	4½

NATIONAL DIVISION				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Water Department	4	1	800	—
Del Gallo's Restaurant	3	3	500	1½
New England Telephone	3	3	500	1½
O'Connell Cadillac	3	4	429	2
Shedd Plumbing	3	4	429	2
Fenn & Fourth Cafe	3	4	429	2

JUN 6 1973 Last-inning runs decide softball tilts

Single runs in the last inning won City Slow-Pitch Softball League games for Rogers Jewelers and Eagle Cafe last night at Lakewood Field. The Jewelers edged Berkshire Common 4-3 and Eagle Cafe nipped Dick Joseph's Auto Body 8-7. Shedd Plumbing defeated O'Connell Cadillac-Olds 9-6 in the other contest.

Craig Leslie led Rogers Jewelers with three hits, and Joe Penna had three safeties for Eagle Cafe. Gary Pappalo of Dick Joseph's had three hits, including a home run.

Three-hit men in the other tilt were Bob Sononhalter, Mike Trudeau, John Lander and Brian Vincent of Shedd's and Bob Frazitta of O'Connell's.

The schedule tonight will match Arace's Datsun and Falstaff Brewers at 6:30, New England Telephone and Del Gallo's Restaurant at 7:30 and the Irish-Americans and Rogers Jewelers at 8:30.

JUN 7 1973 Close games mark city softball card

Close games were the order of the evening last night in the city Slow-Pitch Softball League as the Falstaff Brewers, New England Telephones and Irish-Americans all squeaked through to one- and two-run victories.

The tightest of the three games was the nightcap in which the Irish shaded Rogers Jewelers, 9-8, in eight innings. The Amerks exploded for eight runs in the second inning, but the Jewelers rallied over the following five innings and tied the contest. The Irish won it in the eighth, however, when Ray Woitkowski tripled and scored on a sacrifice fly by Jan Villanova.

The opening game featured a lot less scoring and resulted in a slim 2-1 win for the Falstaff team over Arace's Datsun. The Brewers won the game in the bottom of the seventh frame when Kevin O'Donnell tripled and scored on an error by the third baseman.

New England Telephone got the call in the third outting of the night, outitting Del Gallo's Restaurant, 14-7, and winning the game 8-6. The first three innings proved to be the difference as the Phones built up a 6-4 advantage.

Tonight's schedule in the CSPSL will have the Fenn & Fourth Cafe meeting Shedd Plumbing at 6:30, James Jewelers running into James Auto Body at 7:30, and at 8:30 Berkshire Common will tangle with the Eagle Cafe.

JUN 8 1973 Eagle, Friday, June 8, 1973—13 Slugfest won by Irish batsmen

The Irish-American Club came from behind to beat Itam Lodge 16-12 in a Babe Ruth National League baseball game last night at Deming Field. The contest was called after five innings because of darkness, after a total of 28 runs, 16 hits, 15 bases on balls and two hits batsmen had been recorded.

Ron Bartlett of the winners hit for the cycle with a single, double, triple and home run and 10 runs batted in. Mike Doucette of the Irish-American had two hits. For the losers, Mark Mangano belted a pair of safeties and Bob Mahoney cracked a three-run triple.

Tom Lussier, in relief of starter Pete Brown, was the winner. Frank Peplowski, who relieved starter Rick Taikowski, was the loser.

In the American Division at North Junior High Field, Adams Super Markets downed Besse-Clarke 9-2. Timmy Snyder pitched a five-hitter and struck out seven for his second mound victory in as many tries.

The Adams offensive stars were Mark Brouker with three singles in three times at bat and three RBIs and Rick Flynn with a long triple and a single. The Market team had 10 hits. Rick Pearce was best for Besse's with a double and single.

Tonight at 6, Lipton Oil will play IUE Local 255 at Deming Field and IUE 254 will oppose Comet Jewelers at North.

JUN 13 1973 City softball schedule rained out

All games were rained out last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League. The schedule for tonight's action, weather permitting, will be the Irish-Americans and the Eagle Cafe at 6:30. Water Department playing the Fenn & Fourth Cafe at 7:30, and Dick Joseph's Auto Body meeting Falstaff Brewers at 8:30.

The current league standings are as follows:

AMERICAN LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct. GB
James Jewelers	5	2	.714 —
Irish-Americans	5	3	.625 1/2
Falstaff Brewers	6	4	.600 1/2
Arace's Datsun	4	4	.500 1 1/2
Dick Joseph's Auto Body	4	4	.500 1 1/2
Rogers Jewelers	4	5	.444 2
Eagle Cafe	3	5	.375 2 1/2
Berkshire Common	2	6	.250 3 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE			
	W.	L.	Pct. GB
Water Department	7	2	.777 —
Shedd Plumbing	6	4	.600 1/2
New England Telephone	4	4	.500 1 1/2
Fenn & Fourth Cafe	4	5	.444 2
O'Connell Cadillac	4	6	.400 2 1/2
Del Gallo's Restaurant	3	7	.300 3 1/2

Water Dept. triumphs on 4-run 7th

The Water Department scored four runs in the top of the seventh inning to clinch an 11-9 City Slow-Pitch Softball League win over Fenn & Fourth Cafe last night at Lakewood Field. Dick Joseph's Auto Body edged Falstaff Brewers 5-4 and the Irish-Americans danced a jig on the Eagle Cafe 11-1.

Ron Whitmarsh had three hits and John Baker and Wayne Mickle two each to lead the Water Department. One of Mickle's was a home run. Dick Astore with three safeties and Ted Burzimat, Jeff Daur, Mike Collins and Dan Giardina with two apiece paced the losers.

Jay Drury had two hits for the victors in Dick Joseph's win. Dan Powers, Walt Pictrowski and Dick Premierlani had two each for Falstaff. Two-hit producers in the Irish-American triumph were Bud Pellerin, Tony Simonelli, Jan Villanova, Jim McDonough, Dick MacCartney, Doug Hebert and Dave Sheran, and Bob Tucker had two for Eagle Cafe.

JUN 14 1973

JUN 15 1973 James, Fenn and NET win softball

James Jewelers, New England Telephone and the Fenn & Fourth Cafe all posted victories in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League last night at Lakewood Field.

The Jewelers shut out Berkshire Common in the first game of the evening, as Dick Powers had three hits and scored all three runs for the winners.

In the second game, the telephone company scored three times in the first and fifth innings to hold off the streaking Shedd Plumbers by a 6-3 margin. Tom Smith unloaded a home run for NET.

The closest game of the night was the nightcap as Fenn & Fourth shaded Del Gallo's Restaurant 13-12, with both teams scoring four times in the seventh inning. Down 8-4 and later 10-6, Fenn finally overcame a 12-9 deficit to win the contest in its last chance.

Tonight's action finds the Irish-Americans playing James Jewelers, Arace's Datsun meeting Berkshire Common and Rogers Jewelers facing the Eagle Cafe.

JUN 18 1973 Jewelers lose two softball games Friday

James Jewelers "dropped" a pair of slow-pitch softball games Friday night, losing to Eagle Cafe 16-11 in the first and to the Irish-Americans 6-4 in the last game of the tripleheader at Lakewood Field. Berkshire Common downed Arace's Datsun 18-6 in the other game.

Fran Reardon of the Jewelers, Pete Boyd of Berkshire Common and Steve Gerardi of Arace's were the night's top hitters with four safeties each. Bob Choiniere, John Shaughnessy and Andy Anthony hit home runs for Eagle Cafe.

Three-hit men included Choiniere, Anthony and Jim Farry of the Eagle team, Bill Gracyk of the Jewelers, Tony Belanger and Ken Zelenski of Berkshire Common, and Wayne Ciepiela of Arace's.

Tony Simonelli with two hits and Jan Villanova and Joe Lipa with triples led the Irish-Americans. Dick Powers, Al Belanger, Paul Campoli and John Enright had two hits each for James Jewelers.

Tonight's schedule matches New England Telephone and Water Department at 6:30 at Lakewood, followed by Fenn & Fourth Cafe and O'Connell Cadillac at 7:30, and Dick Joseph's and Berkshire Common at 8:30.

JUN 19 1973 Water Dept. in shutout at Lakewood

Water Department short circuited New England Telephone's offense at Lakewood Field last night to win the opening game of the tripleheader 3-0. O'Connell Cadillac downed Fenn & Fourth, 9-8, and Dick Joseph Auto Body tripped Berkshire Common, 8-7, in other games.

Water Department scored three times in its first inning and those runs were the only ones scored. Mark Shaw, Denny Duquette and Wayne Mickle had two hits each for the winners. Jim White and John DiCicco divided the losers' hits between them.

Dick Ward led O'Connell's with three hits. Getting two safeties were Bob Frazitta and Jim Rouette of the winners, and Pete Marchetto, Mike Collins and Ed Barzottini of Fenn & Fourth.

The Dick Joseph team was led by Jim Bridges' three hits and two each by Jack Bartow and Jay Drury. Pete Boyd, Jim Watroba, Bruce Trepani, Rick Reed, Ken Ireland and Mike McKeever had two hits apiece for Berkshire Common.

Tonight's games pit Rogers Jewelers and James Jewelers at 6:30, Berkshire Common and Falstaff at 7:30, and Arace's Datsun and the Irish-Americans at 8:30.

JUN 20 1973

James beats Rogers 9-3

In a frenzied battle of the hot rocks, James Jewelers defeated Rogers Jewelers, 9-3, last night in the opening game of the city slow-pitch softball league. Other CSPSL action saw the Falstaff Brewers flatten Berkshire Common, 16-5, and Araces Datsun bow to the Irish-Americans 6-1.

A Fran Reardon home run and three hits by Dan McDonald paced the James gang past their brothers of the Rogers persuasion. A six-run first inning iced the game early for the winners.

The second game of the night, tripleheader found the mighty Brewers pounding out 20 hits and 16 runs against the defenseless Commoners. Dan Powers, Bud Reddington, John Cody and Walt Pictrowski all had homers for Falstaff and Dick Premierlani went four-for-four.

In the nightcap, the Irish-Americans scored once in the first and four times in the second to jump out in front of the Datsuns and stayed there, limiting the Araces club to four hits and a single run in the ninth inning. Ray Woitkowski and Dick McCartney both had homers for the Irish.

The Irish-Americans will be in action again tonight meeting Dick Joseph's Auto Body at 7:30 between games matching the Eagle Cafe and the Brewers at 6:30, and the Datsuns and Rogers Jewelers at 8:30.

Games postponed

All scheduled games in the City Slow Pitch Softball League and the Babe Ruth Baseball League were postponed last night because of wet grounds.

JUN 23 1973

Irish, H2O Dept. lead city softball; 3 games tonight

The City Slow-Pitch Softball League will attempt to play tonight at Lakewood Field after Friday night's rained out schedule.

The opening game of the triple header at 6:30 p.m. will pit Dick Joseph's Auto Body against Rogers Jewelers, with the Water Department meeting Del Gallo's Restaurant at 7:30, and James Jewelers taking on the Falstaff Brewers in the finale at 8:30.

At the end of play last week, the Irish-Americans took over the lead in the American Division of the CSPSL, with a one-game bulge over James Jewelers. In the National Division, the Water Department continues to make waves, increasing its lead over Shedd Plumbing to 2 1/2 games.

The standings:

AMERICAN DIVISION			
	W.	L.	Pct. GB
Irish Americans	9	3	.750 —
James Jewelers	8	4	.667 1
Falstaff Brewers	8	5	.615 1 1/2
Dick Joseph's Auto Body	6	5	.545 2 1/2
Rogers Jewelers	5	6	.455 3 1/2
Araces Datsun	4	8	.333 5
Eagle Cafe	4	8	.333 5
Berkshire Common	4	9	.308 5 1/2

NATIONAL DIVISION			
	W.	L.	Pct. GB
Water Department	9	2	.818 —
Shedd Plumbing	7	5	.583 2 1/2
New England Telephone	5	5	.500 3 1/2
O'Connell Cadillac	5	6	.455 4
Fenn & Fourth Cafe	5	7	.417 4 1/2
Del Gallo's Restaurant	3	9	.250 6 1/2

JUN 25 1973

Three close games mark city softball

Rogers, Del Gallo
and Falstaff all
win in late frames

A triad of one-run thrillers highlighted the City Slow-Pitch Softball League last night as Rogers Jewelers, Del Gallo's Restaurant and the Falstaff Brewers salvaged victories in the late going.

In the first game of the evening, Rogers overcame a 3-2 Dick Joseph's Auto Body lead with two runs in the fifth and hung on to score once in the bottom of the seventh after Joseph's had tied the game in the top half. Roger Barzowski had three hits for the winners.

The second contest went 10 frames as Del Gallo's and the Water Department tied at 6-6 after regulation. In the 10th, the Water Department struck for two runs to take an 8-6 lead, but the last-place restaurateurs showed that they may be ready to vacate the premises and rallied for three runs to win the game 9-8.

Dick Shote and Dick Boyer of Del Gallo's and John Baker of the Water Department all had three hits apiece.

The third one-run decision came in the Brewers-James Jewelers tilt. Falstaff jumped out to a quick 7-0 lead after three innings, but the James gang retaliated with a six-run fifth frame and scored the tying run in the top of the sixth. Refusing to panic, however, Falstaff pushed across a run of its own in the bottom of the sixth to ice the affair 8-7.

Six teams will be in action tonight in league play at Lakewood Field. Eagle Cafe squares off against Arace's Datsun at 6:30. Shedd Plumbing meets O'Connell Cadillac at 7:30, and Berkshire Common tangles with the Irish-Americans in the nightcap at 8:30.

JUN 26 1973

Eagles over Datsuns in 1-0 thriller

Consecutive fifth-inning singles by Jim Leonard, Cliff Nilan and Jim Albano pushed across one run for the Eagle Cafe in the first game of last night's City Slow-Pitch Softball League triple header, but that's all the Eagles needed as they defeated Araces Datsun in a defensive thriller 1-0.

In the other two CSPSL contests, the Irish-Americans clubbed Berkshire Common, 17-11, and the streaking Shedd Plumbers wrenched O'Connell Cadillac 10-3.

John Sunder led the way for the Sheds with three hits, while teammate Bob Soonhalter and Cadillac's Mike Spelman, Walt Hunt and Jack Francis, all had a pair of safeties.

In the final game, the Irish unloaded on Berkshire Common pitching for 10 runs in the third inning and coasted home from there with a 20-hit win. Tony Simonelli went four-for-four for the victors.

Tonight's action at Lakewood Field has New England Telephone calling on Fenn & Fourth Cafe at 6:30, the Water Department challenging Shedd Plumbing in a classic confrontation at 7:30, and New England Tel. playing again in the nightcap against the Cadillacs of O'Connell.

JUN 27 1973

JUN 28 1973 Fenn, H2O clubs win in the rain

The Fenn & Fourth Cafe and the Water Department emerged as winners in rain-delayed City Slow-Pitch Softball League action last night. The third game of the scheduled triple header bowed to the elements.

Fenn & Fourth spotted New England Telephone a three-run lead in the top half of the first inning, then proceeded to rattle off 18 runs on 20 hits, including an eight-run outburst in the third. Pete Marchette paced the Cafe effort with a home run, while Dan Giardina and Dick Astore had three hits apiece for the winners.

In the second game, the Water Department jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first and never trailed after that, en route to cooling off the red hot Shedd Plumbers 7-6. Though out 16-13, the H2O squad drew strength from the crummy weather and beat the Plumbers despite three-hit games for Jeff Wilson, Denny Duquette and Denny Strizzi.

Softball resumes tonight at Lakewood with Fenn & Fourth meeting Del Gallo's Restaurant at 6:30, O'Connell's Cadillacs facing the New England Telephones at 7:30, and Rogers Jewelers knocking heads with Dick Joseph's Auto Body at 8:30.

Irish, H2O's lead in softball; Friday drowns

All three games were washed out Friday night in the City Slow-Pitch League. Resuming play tonight, O'Connell Cadillac will square off against the Water Department at 6:30 p.m., the Falstaff Brewers will face Arace's Datsun at 7:30, and Rogers Jewelers will meet the Irish-Americans in the nightcap at 8:30.

The Water Department and Irish-Americans wrapped up the month of June in first place of their respective divisions; the Water boys posting a 10-3 record in the National League and the Irish notching an identical 10-3 slate in the American circuit.

The H2Os are followed by Shedd Plumbing in second place, 2½ games out at 8-6, and O'Connell Cadillac, four games back in third with a 6-7 ledger.

In the American, the Brewers trail the Irish by 1½ games with a 9-5 record, followed by former league-leader James Jewelers with a third place 8-5 showing, two games off the pace.

The complete divisional standings are as follows:

AMERICAN DIVISION

	W	L	PCT.	GB
Irish Americans	10	3	.769	—
Falstaff Brewers	9	5	.643	1½
James Jewelers	8	5	.615	2
Rogers Jewelers	8	5	.615	3
Joseph's Auto Body	6	7	.462	4
Eagle Cafe	5	8	.385	5
Berkshire Common	4	10	.286	6½

NATIONAL DIVISION

	W	L	PCT.	GB
Water Department	10	3	.769	—
Shedd Plumbing	8	6	.571	2½
O'Connell Cadillac	6	7	.462	4
Fenn & Fourth Cafe	6	8	.429	4½
Telephone Co.	5	7	.417	4½
Del Gallo's Rest.	5	9	.357	5½

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Tight games continue in softball loop

Close games continued to be in order in the City Slow-pitch Softball League. Falstaff Brewers beat Arace's Datsun, 4-3. Irish-Americans downed Rogers Jewelers, 7-6, and Water Department defeated O'Connell Cadillac & Olds, 8-6, last night at Lakewood Field.

Dick Premerlani and Jim Clark had two hits each to lead the Brewers to victory. Ron Gilardi had a pair of hits for Arace's.

The Irish-Americans scored twice in the last innings to gain their victory. Ray Witkowski had four-for-four and the Simonelli brothers, Charlie and Tony, Jan Villanova, Shaun Broderick and Joe Lipa had two hits each. One of Charlie's was a homer. Pepe Barbarotta and Ed Florczyk had two hits for Rogers.

Water Department used a four-run sixth for victory. Greg Riello homered and Denny Duquette had two hits for the winners, and Mike Spelman, Dick Ward, Jim Rouette, Jack Francis, and Jerry Francis two for O'C.

Tonight, Rogers and Berkshire Common meet at 6:30. Falstaff and Irish-Americans at 7:30, and Del Gallo's Restaurant and New England Telephone at 8:30.

Telephone team wins in softball

New England Telephone edged Del Gallo's Restaurant, 8-7, in nine innings. Falstaff Brewers downed the Irish Americans, 5-2, and Rogers Jewelers nipped Berkshire Common, 3-2, Tuesday night in the City Slow-Pitch League games at Lakewood Field.

The Phonemen blew a 5-1 lead, then tied the game in the last of the seventh. Both teams scored in the eighth, and the Phonemen won the game in the bottom of the ninth. Tom Smith, Jim White and Don Spiewack had three hits each for the telephone company. Sam Russo, Ken Hover, Jess Elser and Dale Phelps had two hits apiece for Del Gallo's.

A four-run third inning was the big factor in Falstaff's win. Bud Reddington of the winners and Shaun Broderick of the Irish-Americans hit doubles.

Craig Leslie and Ed Chandler had two hits apiece for victorious Rogers. Ron Kinnas had a pair for the Commoners.

Two games are set for tonight. At 6:30 Dick Joseph Auto Body and Eagle Cafe go at it. At 7:30 it will be Shedd Plumbing and Fenn and Fourth Cafe.

Plumbers, Eagles win in 1st inning

First inning outbursts of eight and four runs, respectively, enabled Shedd Plumbing and the Eagle Cafe to gain victories last night in a City Slow-Pitch Softball League doubleheader at Lakewood Field.

The Plumbers blasted Fenn & Fourth Cafe pitching for eight runs in the top of the first and went on to score 10 more times to win in a romp, 18-4. The Eagles added a run in the second to go with their four-run first to hold off Dick Joseph's Auto Body in the second game, 5-4.

John Sander led the Shedd attack with a five-for-five performance at the plate, including a home run in the fifth inning. Darrell Shedd added three hits of his own in the Plumbers' 23-hit night. Benny Barzowski had three safeties for the Fenn & Fourths.

The second game was much closer as the Auto Bodies rallied for three runs in the last two frames to close within one run of the lead, but the surge fell short. Paul Metallo and Frank Duke of the Eagles and Gary Pappolo of Dick Joseph's had two hits apiece.

Tonight, the Water Department meets New England Telephone at 6:30 and James Jewelers plays Arace's Datsun at 7:30 in a twilight twin bill at Lakewood.

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Telephones swamped by Water Dept.

The National Division-leading Water Department of the City Slow Pitch softball league opened the floodgates on New England Telephone Friday night and clobbered NET 11-0 to increase its first-place margin over runner-up Shedd Plumbing by three games. The Plumbers were idle.

Denny Strizzi clouted a home run and Wayne Mickle and Bill Pendergast grossed three hits apiece to pace the Water Department's 17-hit attack.

In the second game of the doubleheader, James Jewelers shaded Arace's Datsun 5-2 in the American Division to close within 1½ games of the circuit-leading Irish-Americans. The Jewelers are now in third place, one game behind Falstaff Brewers. Three hits by Denny Craw and a pair by Al Belanger and Dick Powers powered the Jewelers to victory.

Tonight's action will find the Falstaff Brewers playing Rogers Jewelers at 6:30, O'Connell Cadillac facing Del Gallo's Restaurant at 7:30 and the Water Department tangling with Shedd Plumbing at 8:30.

Del Gallo's falls 15-14 to Cadillac

In one of the great softball slugfests of the summer last night, O'Connell Cadillac scored three times in the top of the seventh inning to defeat Del Gallo's Restaurant, 15-14, in the City Slow-Pitch League.

Other CSPSL entertainment included a 13-3 thrashing of Shedd Plumbing by the National Division - leading Water Department and an 11-3 romp posted by the Falstaff Brewers over Rogers Jewelers.

The O'Connell-Del Gallo fray featured three-hit nights for Mike Spelman, Bill Mickles, Jack Francis and Paul Arnish and Ken Barsalio of the Waiters. Spelman of O'Connell also had a home run.

Wayne Mickle hit another homer and Denny Duquette had three hits to spark the Water Department's easy victory over Shedd. The Plumbers only highlight was a four-bagger by Frank Fish.

Three-hit games by Bud Reddington and Jim Clarke and a home run by Tom Sinopoli were enough to inspire Falstaff to its win over Rogers. Ed Chandler had three hits for the losers.

Tonight, Arace's Datsun has a 6:30 appointment with Dick Joseph's Auto Body, James Jewelers meets Berkshire Common at 7:30, and O'Connell plays New England Telephone at 8:30.

Cadillacs fall to Telephones

New England Telephone scored in every inning except the second last night and pushed three runs across in three separate frames to shade O'Connell Cadillac, 12-11, in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League.

In the other two-thirds of the tripleheader, James Jewelers moved to within one game of the American Division lead by bumping off Berkshire Common, 7-5, and Arace's Datsun smashed into Dick Joseph's Auto Body and came up with a 13-4 win.

Although outthit by the Cadillacs 16-15, New England Telephone overcame a 7-3 deficit and scored nine runs in the last four innings to pull it out. Frank Munn led the comeback with a home run.

Paul Campoli paced James over the Common with a homer, as the Jewelers rallied to overcome a 4-0 first-inning Berkshire lead. And Arace's never trailed in its wipeout of Dick Joseph's, as Lou Orazio led the way for the Datsuns with three hits. One bright spot for the Bodies was a two-hit performance by erstwhile baseball great Mike Caritey.

Tonight's slow-pitch slate features the Eagle Cafe and Irish-Americans at 6:30, Fenn & Fourth and the Water Department at 7:30 and Falstaff Brewers and Dick Joseph's at 8:30.

Last-ditch rallies pace Cafe clubs

The Eagle Cafe and the Fenn & Fourth Cafe staged bottom of - the - seventh inning rallies of four and three runs, respectively, to earn City Slow-Pitch Softball League victories last night at Lakewood Field.

The Eagles, down 5-2 to Berkshire Common after 5½ frames, scored three times to tie the score in their last at bat then called on Tom Gingras to knock in the game winner. Mark Reynolds went four-for-four for the victors, who won 6-5.

The other cafe in action last night, Fenn & Fourth, came from two runs back against New England Telephone to turn a 7-5 defeat into an 8-7 victory in the last inning. Ted Burzimati led the way for the F&F's with four hits.

In the third game of the night, O'Connell Cadillac survived a Shedd Plumbing effort to make it three straight bottom - of - the - seventh inning turnabouts, and held on to win 5-4. Down 5-3 in the seventh, Shedd scored once but couldn't manage anything else. Darrell Shedd paced the losers with three hits.

In CSPSL play tonight, there are only two games; Del Gallo's Restaurant meets the Water Department at 6:30 and Dick Joseph's Auto Body faces James Jewelers at 7:30.

Irish take Eagle Cafe in overtime

The Irish-Americans and Falstaff Brewers of the American Division of the City Slow-Pitch Softball League kept up their battle for sole possession of first place by logging come-from-behind victories last night over the Eagle Cafe and Dick Joseph's Auto Body, respectively.

National Division leader, the Water Department, increased its margin over second-place Shedd Plumbing to 4½ games by shading the Fenn & Fourth Cafe 10-8.

The Irish got behind the Eagles early and trailed after 3½ innings by 9-1, but the Americans came roaring back in the fourth and fifth frames for nine runs. With the score tied 10-10 after seven, the outcome was in doubt until the bottom of the ninth when Charlie Simonelli socked a double down the right-field line to score John Sheran for the 11-10 win. Paul Metallo, Bob Chorniere and Jim Farry had three hits each for the Eagles.

Home runs by Dan Powers and Walt Pictrowski and a four-for-four night by John Codey paced Falstaff past the Joseph's by a 16-8 score after trailing 7-4 in the third. Mike Caritey had another respectable evening at the plate with three hits for the losers.

The Water Boys also found themselves on the wrong end of a 6-2 lead and had to rap out seven runs in the fifth to defeat Fenn & Fourth. The heavy-hitting Wayne Mickle blasted a grand slam in the fifth, and John Baker added a two-run shot. Mike Collins had a homer for the losers.

Tonight in the slow-pitch league, Fenn & Fourth will play New England Telephone at 6:30, O'Connell Cadillac entertains Shedd Plumbing at 7:30, and Eagle Cafe faces Berkshire Common at 8:30.

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Al Belanger hits pair of homers

Al Belanger hit two home runs to lead James Jewelers to a 9-5 victory over Dick Joseph Auto Body in a City Slow-Pitch Softball League game Friday night at Lakewood Field. Water Department downed Del Gallo's Restaurant, 7-6 in the other game.

Belanger also hit a single and drove in five runs. Fran Reedon and Joe Furgal added two hits apiece to the Jewelers' cause. Mike Murray and Jack Bartow had two hits each for Joseph.

Wayne Mickle had two hits and two RBIs to pace the Watermen. Don Hover led Del Gallo's with three hits.

O'Connell Cadillac meets Fenn and Fourth in tonight's opener at 6:30. James Jewelers and Rogers Jewelers tangle at 7:30, and Irish-Americans and Arace's Datsun clash at 8:30.

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City Slow Pitch Softball League continues to grow on eve of county, state tournaments

By Mike Meserole

With the Berkshire County area slow pitch softball tournament starting Wednesday and the state tourney getting underway in Pittsfield the first week in August, it might be a good idea to review the history of the City Slow Pitch League since its inception as a recreational program for city employees in the 1950s.

Seventeen years ago, in 1956, when Brooklyn was forced to hand over the world championship to Don Larson and the New York Yankees and Hungary was obliged to surrender its freedom to the heavy-hitting Russians, Pittsfield was a fast pitch softball town with an avid, 14-team citywide league.

That same year, John Marchesi of the Parks Department started a slow pitch rubberball league for city employees to participate in at North Junior High. There was enough interest for eight clubs.

In 1959, enthusiasm in the fledgling circuit increased with the conversion from the rubberized ball to the harder, more conventional Dudley Day and Night softball. The hurling, however, remained unhurried.

Fast pitch goes

Then, in 1962, the fast pitch league folded, as quality windmill-delivering pitchers were put on the endangered species list in the Berkshires. The next year Marchesi opened up the slow pitch league to everybody, city employees and townspeople alike, and in six years it expanded from eight teams to its present collection of 14.

Fast pitch was not dead in town by any stretch of the imagination, however, as Pittsfield consolidated its finest players and entered the Western Mass. Fast Pitch League in 1963.

Probably the most significant event in the history of city softball, both fast and slow, came about in 1964 when City Council president and softball fan Remo Del Gallo got his fellow councilmen to approve a lighting system for Lakewood Field.

Into the big time

Lights meant moving into the big time, and by 1965, under the managerial eye of Donald "Bones" Sheran and the sponsorship of the Union Federal Savings and Loan Association, Pittsfield attracted the state fast pitch championship tournament and won it.

As the Bay State champion, Pittsfield then migrated to Providence, R.I., for the New England regional tourney where it finished third behind national powers the Local 57 Engineers of Rhode Island and the Raybestos Cardinals of Stratford, Conn. After the dust settled, a tournament official told Marchesi that Pittsfield had the best "amateur" team in New England, implying professionalism to some others.

After another state title in 1966, Pittsfield moved up to the Atlantic Seaboard League the following year to play with the big boys — Local 57 Raybestos among others. Union Federal won another Mass. title in 1967, but then the bank dropped its role as sponsor, and the team was forced to find its own funding. Through the benevolence of a few area money interests, it became the Pittsfield Investors in 1968.

That '68 squad was one of the greatest collection of athletes



Mike Meserole

EXAGGERATED DELIVERY of pitcher Shaun Broderick of the Irish Americans is familiar form these days at Lakewood Field where slow pitch softball has become entrenched against faster variety of game. Action occurred Wednesday night as the Irish lads beat Eagle Cafe 11-10. Jimmy Albano (with cap) and Bob Choiniere (15) are

over 20 ever assembled in the name of Pittsfield. And on Labor Day of that year the Investors came within one run of achieving lasting softball immortality.

In the double elimination New England Regionals, they had to play both Raybestos and Local 57 in a championship doubleheader. In the first game Larry Egan, a fireballing transplant from Long Island, held the powerful Cardinals to two runs and knocked in the winning Investor score with a broken bat single to right for the 3-2 victory.

A half hour later Pittsfield played Local 57 for New England supremacy with Egan on the mound again. The game went 11 innings, 10 of them without any score, until Local pushed across a tally in the bottom of the frame to

win 1-0.

That was the last fast pitch game ever played by an officially sanctioned Pittsfield team. The cost of sponsoring a big time club had climbed to \$36,000 by 1968, and the takers disappeared.

"We'd definitely be playing now," laments Bones Sheran, "if only we had the dough."

In the years since the climatic near-miss of 1968, slow pitch has become the only game in town. The city league features 14 teams in two divisions and plays tripleheaders every weeknight during the late spring and summer.

Essentially the same game as 17 years ago, the personnel is now more talented, ranging from veterans of the '68 Investors team, like Dick and Tom McCartney and Ed DeAngelo, to Kansas

City Chiefs football hopeful Paul Metallo, and Baltimore Oriole bonus baby Ray Woitkowski.

Even Sheran is back in action as the coach of the Irish American entry, a team that includes three of his brothers and all of the remaining Investors.

The only recent change in Marchesi's program has been another ball switch, which has the City Slow Pitch League using the new Dudley Restricted Flight softball. The Restricted Flight ball has toughened the league up further by all but eliminating the long ball hitter who cannot also play good defense.

So, at age 17 the slow pitch league is alive and doing very nicely, thanks, and its rich history speaks well for continued success in the coming tournament.

Pairings set for softball event here

Berkshire County slow pitch games start Wednesday

The Berkshire County slow pitch softball tournament will open Wednesday at Lakewood Field with four first-round games. Four more contests will be played Thursday. Semi-finals are scheduled for Friday, and the finals a week from today.

John Marchesi, state deputy commissioner, and Al Bianchi, county commissioner, are tournament directors. Vincent Zito, county umpire-in-chief, will be in charge of umpiring assignments. Eagle Cafe of Pittsfield is the host team.

Water Department and Fenn and Fourth will open the event in a 6 p.m. game. Other first night pairings match Berkshire Common against Shedd Plumbing, James Jewelers against Rogers Jewelers, and Dick Joseph Auto Body against O'Connell Cadillac.

Drawing first-round byes are Arace's Datsun, Falstaff Brewers, the Irish Americans, and the Lee Men's Club. They will play Thursday against the winners of the previous night.

The tournament champion will advance to the state event to be played here in August.

JUL 17 1973 Irish, James, Fenn & 4th win games

The Irish-Americans, James Jewelers and Fenn & Fourth Cafe swept to victory last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League.

The Irish jumped out to a 6-1 lead and held on to defeat Arace's Datsun, 6-4, the James Jewelers dazzled their brothers from Rogers Jewelry with an 8-5 beating, and Fenn & Fourth ran over O'Connell by an 11-3 margin.

Buddy Pellerin and Shaun Broderick collected three hits apiece and Tony Simonelli cracked a home run for the Irish in their win. Pete Salvatore paced the Datsun cause with three safeties.

Al Belanger unloaded his seventh homer of the season to lead the James gang over Rogers. Rod Corey, who rapped out a pair of hits, also homered. In a free-swinging ball game, Ed Chandler and Mando Connolly had homers for the losers.

Finally, Armond Astore and Ed Barzottini had a pair of singles to show the way for Fenn & Fourth, which scored five times in the second inning and never trailed thereafter. Ty Belanger and Jerry Erances had two hits for the Cadillacs.

In games tonight the Water Department plays New England Telephone at 6:30, the Falstaff Brewers encounter the Eagle Cafe at 7:30, and Berkshire Common takes on Dick Joseph's Auto Body in the nightcap at 8:30.

Eagle upsets Falstaff 12-7 in softball

Eagle Cafe upset the Falstaff Brewers, 12-7, last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League at Lakewood Field. Squeezing every last at bat out of Paul Metallo, who is due to report to the Kansas City Chiefs training camp at the end of the week, the Eagles got two hits and a home run out of Paul's bat to spark the victory.

John Shaughnessy also homered for the Eagles, and Dick Sweeney delivered four hits for the winners. On the Brewers side, John Codey and Bud Reddington had home runs.

In other CSPSL action, lowly Berkshire Common upended Dick Joseph's Auto Body, 9-6, thanks to four runs batted in by Ken Zelenski. Both Zelenski and Tony Belanger had three hits for Common, one of Zelenski's shots being a home run. Berkshire Common scored six runs in the first and never trailed. Bruce Pivero and Jay Drury had three hits for the losing Bodies.

In the third contest of the evening, the mighty Water Department pounded out 15 hits and eight runs to bug New England Telephone 8-2. Sil Mastrodasa rapped out three hits and Denny Duquette stroked a homer to lead the way for the H2O gang. Steve Galliher was the only functioning operator for the Telephones, getting three hits.

Tourney tonight

The opening round of the Massachusetts Amateur Softball Association's Berkshire County slow-pitch tournament gets underway tonight with a four-game card starting at 6 o'clock. In the first game, the Water Department will meet Fenn & Fourth Cafe, with match-ups between Berkshire Common and Shedd Plumbing, James Jewelers and Rogers Jewelers, and Joseph's Auto Body and O'Connell Cadillac following in that order.

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Upsets mark games in CSPSL tourney

Upsets were as numerous as mayoral candidates last night in the opening round of the City Slow-Pitch Softball League's county tournament at Lakewood Field.

Three teams that were favored for a shot at the championship were knocked off by supposedly lesser powers in the four-game first round. The Water Department was flushed out by the Fenn & Fourth Cafe in extra innings 5-4. Rogers Jewelers surprised James Jewelers 6-4, and Berkshire Common rose up to overturn Shedd Plumbing with stunning ease 10-3. In the fourth contest, Dick Joseph's Auto Body disposed of O'Connell Cadillac like it was supposed to, 21-12.

The biggest shock of all was the demise of the Water Boys, who currently lead the American Division of the CSPSL by three games. Down 2-0 after two innings, they had to rally to tie the game in the seventh but couldn't outscore Fenn & Fourth in overtime. Mike Arpante picked up the win.

Rogers pitcher Pete Litano cooled off the hot home run bat of Al Belanger and the James Gang in the second coup of the evening. Ed Chandler led the Rogers cause at the plate with four hits in as many trips.

Berkshire Common overcame a 3-0 deficit with a six-run outburst in the fourth and went on to rout the Shedd Plumbers behind the home run swings of Roger Barzowski and Tony Belanger. Rick Reed was the winning hurler.

In the fourth and final first-round outing of the night, Joseph's Auto Body showed signs of playing up to its preseason potential by whipping O'Connell with a 22-hit attack. Mike Murray, Tom Marano and Mike Caritey all registered three hits and Jim Bridges socked a homer in the romp that was all but finished when Joseph's struck for 10 runs in the second inning.

Second-round play gets under way tonight at Lakewood with Joseph's playing Lee Men's Club, the only South Berkshire entry in the tourney, at 6. Rogers will take on the tourney-favorite Irish-Americans at 7; the Common will meet up with the Falstaff Brewers at 8; and Fenn & Fourth will tangle with Arace's Datsun in the finale at 9.

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Favorites triumph in slow-pitch event

The rash of upsets subsided in the Berkshire County slow-pitch softball tournament last night as all the favorites won. The Lee Men's Club, the only non-Pittsfield team in the tourney, and the Irish-Americans rolled to easy victories over Dick Joseph's Auto Body and Rogers Jewelers, respectively, while Arace's Datsun outdistanced Fenn & Fourth Cafe and the Falstaff Brewers survived a late inning scare to beat back Berkshire Common.

The Lee Men's Club capitalized on two home runs by Jim Salice and a solo blast by George Ingegni to run Dick Joseph's out of the tournament with a 10-1 pasting. Ingegni was the winning pitcher and Pete Consolati contributed to the Lee cause with three hits.

Two runs in each of the first four innings and four more in the fifth enabled the Irish-Americans to terminate Rogers Jewelers' upset streak at one. Rogers, which knocked off James Jewelers on Wednesday could score only twice in the 12-2 setback. Five Irish players collected two hits apiece in demonstrating their balanced attack, while Chris Connolly's home run off winning pitcher Shaun Broderick was one of the few Jewelers gems.

Berkshire Common, surprise conquerer of Shedd Plumbing Wednesday night, almost pulled off another upset of major proportions by overtaking Falstaff with a six-run explosion in the fifth inning to forge ahead 10-6, but the Brewers came back with eight runs in the fifth and sixth to win in a squeaker, 14-13. Pete Boyd, Roger Barzousky, Tony Belanger and Bob Zerbato each homered in the Common near-miss. Barzousky had three hits as did Brewer Walt Pietrowski. John Codey was the winning pitcher for Falstaff, barely surviving the 16-hit Berkshire effort.

In the final game of the evening, Arace's Datsun struck for 11 runs in the first three innings and scored five more times before the contest was through, to offset 10 Fenn & Fourth runs. Ron Gilardi led the Datsun surge with three hits and Lou Orazio chipped in with a home run to pace the Datsuns, while Dick Astore tried to keep Fenn & Fourth hopes alive with three hits.

The tournament moves into the semifinal round tonight at Lakewood Field with Falstaff playing the Datsuns at 7 and the Irish-Americans facing the Lee Men's Club at 8.

Irish run Lee into the ground 19-3, Araces upsets Falstaff in slow pitch

By Mike Meserole

A week ago, Bones Sheran was saying that his Irish American Club was not to be stopped once tournament time rolled around, and last night under the lights and amongst the mosquitoes at Lakewood Field he seemed a good judge of talent and timing.

Taking on the only out-of-town entry in the Berkshire County Slow Pitch Softball Tournament, the Irish successfully migrated to the final round by outscoring, outhitting, outrunning, outdefending and outhollering the Lee Men's Club to the tune of 19-3.

In the other semifinal round tilt, Arace's Datsun pulled a substantial upset by edging the favored Falstaff Brewers 3-2 in eight innings. The Datsun decision sets up tomorrow night's final against Bones' boys at 7:30 p.m. at Lakewood.

The slugging Simonelli brothers, Tony and Charley, and right fielder Ray Woitkowski presided over the 28-hit beating dished out by the Irish. Tony S. went 4-for-5 with a pair of two-run home runs, while his brother

er went 3-for-5 with three runs batted in and a two-run blast of his own. Woitkowski rapped out four hits in five trips and drove in three runs.

The Irish scored in every inning except the sixth, building up a 5-1 lead after three frames and then delivering the death blow with a five-run fourth inning and a six-run outburst in the fifth.

Hits came off the Americans' aluminum bats like insects out of the woods as everybody got into the act. Joe Lipa pounded out four, winning pitcher Shaun Broderick chipped in three with a trio of RBIs and four other Irishmen got two safeties apiece.

But the over-all brilliance of the Irish attack lay in their ability to run like hell. Every leadoff batter reached base, and in five of the seven innings the leadoff hit was good for extra bases. They forced Lee into numerous fielding errors on routine singles throughout the game just by refusing to stop at first.

Perhaps the best example of the Irish instinct to hustle was third baseman Buddy Pellerin.

With two outs in the second inning Pellerin, who chatters better and chews gum harder than anybody in the western part of the state, lofted a definite out to right center but instead of trotting to first to end the inning, he took off out of the batter's box and set sail. The fly was dropped by the Lee outfielder and by the time the ball was retrieved, Pellerin had pulled into third and was discussing the weather with base coach Eddie DeAngelo. He scored on the next play.

The first game of the semi-final doubleheader, which attracted a very respectable crowd that made driving hazardous on Newell Street was a complete change of pace from the rout of the nightcap. Scoreless for three frames, Araces touched Falstaff pitcher John Codey for two runs in the top of the fourth. Dick Wilson and Wayne Ciepiela led off with singles, moved to second and third on fielder's choice and then scored on a single by Ron Gilardi that Falstaff misplayed.

The Brewers retaliated in the bottom of the inning with one run on consecutive singles by Codey, Jack Clark and Tom Sinopoli. Falstaff then tied the game up in the sixth when Codey knocked in Paul Clark with a two out single. Two fine defensive plays were turned in by Araces second baseman Gilardi on line drives by Brewers Dan Powers and Buddy Reddington. Both catches averted a big Brewer rally.

Dick Wilson, who fueled the Datsun offense with three hits in four appearances, won the game in the eighth by knocking in Gary Murphy, who was pinch running for first baseman Brian Jones who led off the inning with a single.

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Irish rout Arace's for slow-pitch title

By Mike Meserole

Tony Simonelli and Shaun Broderick continued to bat and pitch the Irish-American Club to its anticipated rendezvous with the state slow-pitch softball championship next month by leading the Irish to an easy 14-2 victory over Arace's Datsun Saturday night for the Berkshire County slow-pitch title at Lakewood Field.

Simonelli, who went four for five with a pair of two-run home runs in Friday night's semifinal rout of the Lee Men's Club, collected four hits in as many trips to the plate against Arace's, including another two-run blast and a total of five runs batted in. Broderick, in scattering nine Datsun hits and permitting only two runs, turned in his third three-runs-or-less performance in three days to spark the Irish defense.

Despite the heavy Saturday morning rain which left the Lakewood all-dirt diamond slow and muddy, especially around first base, the Irishmen's vaunted running game was unaffected as they took advantage of the unsure footing experienced in the outfield by Arace's and wheeled around the bases with their customary abandon.

Joining Simonelli in the hot bat category for the winners were Ray Woitkowski and Joe Lipa. Woitkowski, who has been on base for all three of Simonelli's tournament two-run homers, went three for four, as did Lipa. Both hitters had four hits in five trips Friday night.

Setting the stage

The stage was set for the Datsun's demise in the top of the first inning, when with two out and runners on first and second, Arace's pitcher Frank Gai came to bat and slapped a Broderick pitch up the middle for a single. Taking off from second on the hit, lead runner Dave Melle gambled that the ball would keep going into the outfield, so he rounded third and headed for home.

Unfortunately for Melle, Irish second baseman Charley Simonelli had different plans, as he ranged to his right to gather up the ball on the shortstop side of second and, in the same motion, fired a shin-high bullet to catcher Doug Hebert, who retired Melle at the plate with a superb roadblock to end the inning.

That was as close as Arace's came to the lead. The Irish struck quickly in the bottom of the first for two runs on hits by Buddy Pellerin, Tony Simonelli and Jan Villanova. And even though Arace's came back to tie the score at 2-2 in the second on a bases-loaded single by the spectacularly sideburned Brian Jones and a sacrifice fly by Denny Murphy, they couldn't pull ahead.

The Irish then rattled off three-, four- and five-run innings in the third, fourth and fifth frames to put the game out of reach. Tony S. unloaded his homer in the fourth with two out.

By winning the county, the Irish now move on to the state tournament on the first weekend in August, which will be hosted by Pittsfield's Eagle Cafe at Lakewood Field. As the host team, the Eagles will also compete in the tourney, which will feature defending 1972 champion Worcester.

JUL 24 1973

O'Connells, Water take squeakers

O'Connell Cadillac squeezed out Del Gallos Restaurant, 10-9, in an extra-inning and the Water Department nipped the Fenn & Fourth Cafe, 7-6, in a pair of tight City Slow-Pitch Softball League games last night at Lakewood Field. The Irish-Americans rolled to a 17-3 triumph over Berkshire Common in a third clash.

Jim Rouette with three hits and Jerry Francis, Joe Penna and Dick Ward, with two each, led O'Connell's. Bill Puntin had three for Del Gallo's.

John Baker had three safeties and Wayne Mickle two including a home run for the Water team. Jeff Daury paced Fenn & Fourth with three hits.

Tony Simonelli had a home run and two singles, Bud Pellerin, three hits, and Jim McDonough, a homer for the Irish-Americans.

The slate tonight will match Shedd Plumbing and New England Telephone at 6:30, Arace's Datsun and Eagle Cafe at 7:30 and Falstaff Brewers and James Jewelers at 8:30.

JUL 25 1973

Al Belanger hits 2 HRs for Jewelers

Al Belanger hit two homers as James Jewelers thrashed Falstaff Brewers 22-9 in the last game on a City Slow-Pitch League schedule at Lakewood Field last night. Shedd Plumbing downed New England Telephone 10-3 in the other game played.

Belanger amassed four hits and five RBIs in the Jewelers' outburst. Fran Reardon had four hits and Dick Powers and Paul Campoli three each in the rout. One of Campoli's was a home run.

Tom Sinopoli had three hits and Bud Reddington, Walt Pietrowski, John Codey, Jim Clark and Ed Connolly two each for losing Falstaff. Reddington and Clark had homers.

Don Warfield slapped three singles for Shedd's winners. Darrell Shedd chipped in with a home run and a single and Bob Martin, Joe Markham and Stan Greenleaf had two hits each. New England was led by Bill North and Don Spewick with two safeties each.

Rogers Jewelers and Dick Joseph open tonight card at 6:30. James' comes back at 7:30 against the Irish-Americans, and Fenn & Fourth meets Del Gallo's Restaurant at 8:30.

JUL 23 1973

Slow-pitch loop resumes tonight

The City Slow-Pitch Softball League resumes action tonight after four days off for the Berkshire County championship tournament.

The winner of that tourney, the Irish-American Club, heads up the tripleheader at Lakewood Field, taking on Berkshire Common at 7:30.

In the first game at 6:30, Del Gallo's Restaurant meets O'Connell Cadillac, and in the 8:30 nightcap, the Water Department engages the Fenn & Fourth Cafe.

Jewelers win, moon shines

A grand slam by Dick Moon in the bottom of the fourth inning provided Rogers Jewelers with all the runs it needed to upend Dick Joseph's Auto Body, 5-3, last night in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League at Lakewood Field.

Other games in the midweek tripleheader included an 11-9 victory by the state tournament-bound Irish Americans over James Jewelers, and a wild 18-17 decision by the Fenn & Fourth Cafe over Del Gallo's Restaurant.

The Irish scored six times in the top of the seventh inning to take a commanding 11-3 lead over the James gang and held on to survive a six-run rally by the Jewelers in their last ups. Doug Hebert sparked the Irish offense with a four-for-four night at the plate while Jan Villanova and Joe Lipa had three hits each. Al Belanger cracked a homer in the jewelers' cause.

The nightcap was a free-swinging affair between Fenn & Fourth and Del Gallo's, marked by 35 runs and 23 hits by each side. Del Gallo's scored four times in four different frames, but the big inning was the nine-run sixth turned in by F&F. Four hits by Jeff Daury and a homer by Mike Arpante paced the winners, while Dick Boyer posted four safeties for Del Gallo's.

Tonight's action in the CSPSL will find Berkshire Common facing Arace's Datsun. Shedd Plumbing sparring with Del Gallo's, and the host team for the state tournament, Eagles Cafe, meeting Rogers Jewelers.

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Good Connection

The natural nonaffinity of teams named Water Department and Fenn & Fourth Cafe came to a head when the latter upset the favored former in the Pittsfield slow pitch softball tournament. Here is an energetic instant in that game.

Shedd leads Plumbers to 18-11 win

Darrell Shedd had six hits in as many appearances at the plate last night in the City-Slow-Pitch Softball League as his namesakes, the Shedd Plumbers routed Del Gallo's Restaurant 18-11.

In the other two-thirds of the Lakewood Field tripleheader, Arace's Datsun defeated Berkshire Common, 4-2, behind the pitching of Brian Jones, and Rogers Jewelers shaded state tournament-bound Eagle Cafe 4-3.

Shedd and the Tyler Street Plumbers, not to be confused with John Ehrlichman and the White House variety, managed to do some stealing in their own right, however, as they twice swiped the lead from Del Gallo's in the opening innings before going ahead for keeps in the fifth, 16-11. Stan Greenleaf homered and collected three other hits to aid the cause. Bob Allesio went four-for-four for the losers.

Arace's scored twice in the third and again in the fourth for all its runs in toppling Common. Jones scattered eight hits in earning the victory while Steve Girardi and Rick Bell paced the Datsun offense with two hits apiece.

In the nightcap, Rogers spotted the Eagles a 2-0 lead in the early going then rallied to lead 3-2 and overcome an Eagle run in the top of the seventh by scoring the winning run in the bottom half. Two hits each by Dick Moon and Ed Florezk and a homer by Pepe Barbarotta led the way. Frank Duke and Bob Tucker had HRs for Eagle.

Tonight's action finds Arace's meeting Dick Joseph's, James Jewelers playing the Irish-Americans, and Eagle taking on Rogers Jewelers at Lakewood.

JUL 27 1973

Eagle Cafe rallies to win

JUL 30 1973

After losing a 6-0 lead in the third inning and a 10-7 margin in the sixth, Eagle Cafe rallied for a pair of runs in the bottom of the seventh frame Friday night to edge Rogers Jewelers, 12-11, in the City Slow-Pitch Softball League.

In the other games of the nightly tripleheader, county playoff finalists the Irish-Americans and Arace's Datsun both won with respective 7-3 and 7-5 victories over James Jewelers and Dick Joseph's Auto Body.

Eagle Cafe, which will host the 1973 state slow-pitch tournament when it opens up at Lakewood Field this Friday night, prepared for its shot at the big time by warming up the bats of Mark Reynolds (four hits), Dick Sweeney (three hits) and Bob Choinier (three hits). Sweeney also had a home run. Ed Chandler had three hits and a homer and Leo Charland had two hits

and a four-base shot for the Jewelers.

The other tourney-bound club, the Irish Americans who qualified for the playoffs by winning the county title two weeks ago, called on Ray Woitkowski for two hits and four runs batted in to pace their victory over James. Ace Irish hurler Shaun Broderick held the Jewelers in check, permitting three-hit evenings to only Denny Crow and Bob Shade.

Finally, Lou Orazio clubbed two homers and Dave Melle and Rick Bell had one apiece as Arace's rubbed out Joseph's behind the pitching of Brian Jones. The Datsuns had to overcome a 5-0 Auto Body lead.

Tonight in the CSPSL, the Irish take on the Auto Bodies, at 6:30, the Falstaff Brewers tangle with Berkshire Common an hour later, and the Datsuns play Rogers Jewelers an hour after that.

AUG 4 1973

Eagle Cafe hosts state softball tourney this week

Local softball franchises Eagle Cafe and the Irish-American Club will be among the 16 teams entered in the 1973 state slow-pitch softball tournament taking place in town this week-end.

Eagle Cafe, as the host team, automatically gains a berth and will open the tourney Thursday night at 7 against the Southwest area champions, while the Irish-Americans, who won the Berkshire County slow-pitch title two weeks ago, will go against the Northern area champs Saturday morning at 9:30.

The tournament, directed by state Amateur Softball Association commissioner Bernard "Bunny" Lee and deputy commissioner John Marchesi of the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation will be a double elimination affair, which means, for the uninitiated, that a team must lose twice to be forced out of the tournament.

Hosted here before

This is the second time in the last three years that the tourney is being hosted in Pittsfield, and marks the first time in any state championship that the umpire in chief will be a Pittsfield native. Vince Zito will be in charge of the boys in blue.

A minimum of 30 games will be necessary in the double-elimination format, with a possibility of a 31st contest if the losers' bracket winner upsets one of the winners' bracket finalists.

With that many games to be played in only four days, more than one playing field will be needed. In addition to the lighted diamond at Lakewood Field, Clapp Park and one other field to be named Thursday will be used for 12 morning and afternoon games on Saturday. All night contests will be played at Lakewood and the final round championship game is scheduled for Sunday evening at 7:15.

Along with Eagle Cafe, free rides to this year's tournament have been issued to last season's state championship runner-up the Sportsmen of Norton, and the defending 1972 champs, Ronnie's Auto Body of Worcester. The remaining 13 places in the first round are made up of teams that earned the right by winning their area qualifying tournaments.

Eagle opens tourney

The first-round schedule through Saturday morning is as follows: Thursday night at Lakewood Field — 7; Eagle Cafe vs. Southwest champ; 9, Ronnie's Auto Body vs. Sun area champ. Friday night at Lakewood Field — 6:45, Rain area champ vs. Central champ; 8,

Sportsman vs. Southeast champ; 9, Southern champ vs. Northshore champ.

On Saturday morning the Irish-Americans will face the Northern champ at 9:30 at Lakewood, while the Cape Cod champ will play the Eastern winner and the Northeast champ will play the Western on the two alternate fields.

The different area champions are still undecided in several cases, but will be known by opening night on Thursday.

Last year in the state tourney, Dapson's Opticians, as the Berkshire County champion, and Falstaff Brewers, as the defending 1971 state champion, represented Pittsfield in the state slow-pitch competition without much success, fielding respective 2-2 and 1-2 records.

This year, Dapson's became James Jewelers and failed to qualify for the state's, but most of the 1972 Falstaff squad is back in the name of the Irish-Americans.



Mike Meserole

THE HOST TEAM for this week's state slow-pitch softball tournament, Eagle Cafe, lines up before playing its final season regular game last night at Lakewood Field. From left to right: back row, Bob Choiniere, Andy Anthony, Jim Farry, Bob Tucker, John Shaughnessy and Mark Reynolds; front row, Cliff Nilan, Frank Duke, Jim Leonard, Tom Gingras, Dick Sweeney and coach Charlie Kruger. The Eagles will open the tourney tomorrow night at 7.

AUG 1 1973 Telephones split pair in softball

The Telephone Company closed out the regular season of the City-Slow Pitch Softball League at Lakewood Field last night by winning and losing two close games. In the first third of the campaign's final tripleheader, the Phones edged Shedd Plumbing with three runs in the fifth inning and four in the sixth to win 13-12, but then fell to O'Connell Cadillac in the nightcap, 12-11, despite a six-run rally in the seventh. They needed seven.

Jim White came to the plate nine times in the two games for the phone company and stroked out nine straight hits to bug the opposition. Dave Bordeau had three hits in the first game and a homer in the second. As for the opposing forces, Keith Dapper collected four hits and John Sanders homered for Shedd, while Tony Belanger went 4-for-4 and Joe Penna and Bill Michaels had home runs for the Cadillacs.

In the middle game of the night, state tournament host Eagle Cafe got its wings clipped in a final tune-up, dropping a 10-7 decision to James Jewelers. Three-hit nights by Al Belanger, who will be an Eagle draft pick when the tourney starts this weekend, Bob Shade and Dan McDonald led the way for the Jewels, while Andy Anthony and Jim Farry had homers for Eagle.

In Monday night's CSPSL action, the Falstaff Brewers blanked Berkshire Common, 6-0, behind the hurling of Shaun Kirby, the Irish Americans overcame a 7-4 Dick Joseph's Auto Body lead to win 10-7, and Rogers Jewelers dazzled Arace's Datsun 12-5.

AUG 2 1973 Eagle Cafe will play in tournament opener

The state slow-pitch softball championship tournament gets under way tonight, weather permitting, at Lakewood Field with host team Eagle Cafe meeting the Southwest Massachusetts area champ at 7.

The second game of the opening-night doubleheader will feature the defending champion, Ronnie's Auto Body of Worcester, against the Sun area qualifiers, with game time scheduled for 9 p.m.

After this evening's games, the tournament will fill Friday night, all day Saturday and Sunday afternoon and evening with 28 contests to decide the Massachusetts champion. Both the tourney winner and runner-up will go to the New England Regional championships to be held in Vermont Aug. 17-19.

In addition to Eagle Cafe, the Pittsfield area will be represented by the Berkshire County champion Irish-American Club, which plays its first-round game Saturday morning at 9:30.

The official scorers for the tournament will be head scorer Merritt Chapman, Al Bianchi Jr. and Bruce Robinson.

AUG 3 1973

Eagle Cafe wins opening game of state softball tournament

By Mike Meserole

Eagle Cafe opened up the 1973 state slow-pitch softball tournament last night as something less than perfect hosts. They stormed back from an 8-0 deficit in the second inning to defeat the Southwest representative, Westfield's Teahan & Siska, 10-8.

In the second game of the opening night doubleheader, defending state champ Ronnie's Auto Body of Worcester dispatched Downtown Cafe of Norton to the losers' bracket with a 15-7 pasting in the rain.

Despite the steady shower in the second game, and a much heavier downpour that battered Lakewood Field throughout the morning yesterday, the playing surface was in remarkably good shape thanks to the Herculean vacuuming efforts of Park Department foreman Bob Bohlin, his six-man crew and the aid of a Highway Department mud and water pump. By game time at 7, the track was fast.

Duke sparks rally

Eagle Cafe, the host team for this year's tournament, got behind quickly in the first inning when Teahan & Siska, sporting bright white shorts, scored six times on seven singles. T & S added two more in the top of the second, but a bases-loaded single by Jim Farry got Eagle on the scoreboard in the bottom half making the score 8-3.

Pulling within 8-4 by the fourth, the Pittsfield club evened matters with four runs in the fifth, paced by draftees



Al Belanger and Walt Pictrowski and a two-run double by regular Frank Duke. Duke and Pictrowski then put Eagle ahead for the first time in the game in the sixth with run-scoring hits.

After a jittery start in the field the Cafes, led by some snappy fielding plays by second baseman Cliff Nilan, settled down around pitcher John Enright, who, along with Belanger, toiled for James Jewelers during the regular season (Pictrowski played with Falstaff), and held Teahan & Siska scoreless after the second frame.

Ronnie's in a rout

Dick MacCartney and Buddy Pellerin of the Berkshire County champion Irish-American Club, which won't play its first game until Saturday morning, but had plenty of scouts on hand last night, were watching Downtown Cafe and Ronnie's Auto Body warm up before the second game. While Pellerin was impressed with Downtown's transportation to the tournament ("Geez, a big air-conditioned bus! Who are these guys?"), MacCartney noted the Downtown pregame infield practice and its silence compared to the chatter of the Ronnie warm-up.

"You see that?" said the in-

jured Irish shortstop, as the smartly dressed defending champs whipped the Dudley restricted-flight ball around the horn. "A real good team gets itself charged up before the game even starts. A good warm-up is more important than a big first inning."

Behind twice in the first two frames, by 1-0 and 4-3 margins, Ronnie's showed the tournament crowd just how good it is by taking the lead in the bottom of the third and keeping it. A three-run fourth and a six-run fifth iced the game.

The Bodymen were too much for the unsure fielding of the Downtowners, as they took every extra base they could lay their hands on, while pounding out 18 hits with their 15 runs. Jay Goodrow provided the primary muscle in the Auto order. He drilled three hits in four trips to the plate, including a home run, and knocked in four runs. Fran Lesperance's three RBIs, a trio of hits by Wayne Bergeron and a homer by Glen Parath didn't hurt either.

The one bright sport for the Downtowners, was the hitting of Neale Cassidy (two RBIs) and Shelly Leblanc, who stroked a home run with a unique cross-gripped batting style.

Tonight's games at Lakewood will be as follows: at 6:45 Len's Lounge of Northampton will meet New Home Builders of Millbury; at 8 Sportsman Cafe of Norton will face Taunton; and, in the nightcap at 9, Lowell will play Reagan's Sub of Peabody.

Pittsfield teams play this morning as state slow pitch event continues

AUG 4 1973

Teams from Easthampton, Norton, and Peabody won first round games in the Massachusetts slow pitch softball tournament at Lakewood Field last night.

Len's Lounge of Easthampton defeated Home Builders of Middlebury 10-1, the Sportsmen of Norton downed Roberts' For-

mals of Taunton 10-5, and Reagan's Sub of Peabody out-slugged Fall River 15-12.

Play is to resume this morning and continue at three diamonds through the weekend. The championship game is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Two local teams are scheduled to play this morning. The Irish Americans are to meet Leominster at 9:30 at Lakewood in another first-round game. The Americans recently won the Berkshire County title. The Eagle Cafe of Pittsfield, victors Thursday night, and Len's Lounge are slated at the same field at 11 in a second-round contest.

Clapp Park and Egremont field also will be used for the 16-team, double elimination event.

The first game at Clapp this morning at 11 will match Lowell and Clark's Gulf.

Len's Lounge scored six runs in the fifth inning to break a 1-1

tie with the Home Builders. Veteran Howie Booth drove in two runs with a single in the rally. Bill Marczyk had three singles, and John Talenda, Jim Mullins, and Bobby Doyle chipped in with two hits each for the winners.

Ken Hudson led the Builders with three straight singles.

In the second game, the Sportsmen scored nine times in the first three innings and were never headed. Jim Ferrara hit a home run with two men on in the third. He also had a single. Art Bouchard hit a triple and single, Dick Just and Bill Wheeler a pair of singles in the victory.

Pitcher Ken Lima brought Taunton back into the game with a grand slam homer in the last of the third.

Bob Carpenter and Chris Farino of Peabody and Dave Medeiros of Fall River hit home runs in the last game.

AUG 15 1973

Irish-Americans given N.E. first-round bye

The Irish-Americans of Pittsfield received a first-round bye in the New England regional slow-pitch softball tournament, which opens Friday at Burlington, Vt.

The Americans will have their first taste of competition Saturday at 12:15 p.m. against the winner of the Friday game between the Vermont and New Hampshire champions. The local team finished second in the Massachusetts tournament conducted here two weeks ago.

Also getting first-round byes are Len's Lounge of Northampton, the Massachusetts champion, the Maine champion and the New Hampshire runner-up. The states of Connecticut and Rhode Island will send their entries to another regional site.

The championship round is scheduled for Sunday night, with games at 5:15 and at 7:30 if needed.

Most of the games in the 12-team, double-elimination event will be played at South Park in the northern Vermont city. Two losers' bracket contests are slated for Leddy Park. Jim McEnroe of Burlington, the Vermont commissioner for the Amateur Softball Association, is tournament director.

Irish Americans playing today in tournament

The Irish Americans of Pittsfield are scheduled to play their first game in the New England regional slow pitch softball tournament at 12:15 p.m. today at Burlington, Vt.

The local team is to meet the winner of last night's game between the champions of Vermont and New Hampshire.

The Irish Americans are in the event by virtue of a second-place finish in the recent state tournament conducted here. The state champion, Len's Lounge of Northampton, plays this afternoon.

A victory for Pittsfield, coached by Donald "Bones" Sheran, would send the team into another game tonight at 7:45.

The tournament ends tomorrow.

AUG 18 1973

AUG 7 1973 Slow Pitch schedules title series

The Water Department and the Irish-Americans will open the best-of-three series to determine the champion of the City Slow-Pitch Softball League with a doubleheader at Lakewood Field tomorrow night at 6:30. If a third game is necessary, it will be played Thursday night at 7.

The Water Department of the National Division compiled a record of 17 wins and three losses. The Irish-Americans captured the American Division title with 17 wins and four losses.

Eagle, Thursday, Aug. 9, 1973—11

Irish sweep title series

The Irish-Americans won the Pittsfield Slow-Pitch Softball League championship by sweeping both ends of a doubleheader from the Water Department 15-3 and 8-3 last night at Lakewood Field in the best-of-three title series. The two clubs were their division winners during the regular season.

Bud Pellerin and Tony Simonelli were the batting stars for the Irish-Americans with six hits each, four apiece in the first tilt. Simonelli had a home run in each game and four runs batted in the opener. Pellerin had a homer in the opener and six RBIs.

Wayne Mickle had a pair of hits in the initial tilt, including a round-tripper, and Terry Caden and Joe Lipa rapped three safeties apiece. In the second contest, Doug Hebert and Ray Woitkowski of the victors and Fran Wilk and Denny Strizzi of the Water team had two hits each. One of Hebert's was a circuit clout.

The Irish-Americans, runners-up in the state tournament here last weekend, will play in the regional tourney at Burlington, Vt., the weekend of Aug. 17-19.

Irish beaten twice

Len's Lounge wins state softball title

By Mike Meserole

Len's Lounge of Easthampton, boasting a potent array of batting strength, a miserly display of defense and a pitcher that seemed to inspire both, defeated Pittsfield's Irish-American Club twice yesterday by scores of 6-2 and 9-4 in the semifinal and final rounds of the state slow-pitch double-elimination softball tournament to become the best parabola-pitch team in Massachusetts.

Despite the final-round loss, however, the Irish will join Len's in the regional double-elimination tourney in Burlington, Vt., the weekend of Aug. 17-19. The champion and runner-up of each state are eligible for the New England clambake.

But, alas, the Irish will travel to Vermont as the bridesmaid and not the bride, if for no other reason than Len's flair for fashion, which draped the winners in dazzling blue and white pin-stripes and absolutely ravishing red sanitary hose.

A snappy trousseau wasn't the half of it, however, as the Lounge also had Howie Booth on the mound and at the plate. And if one man ever made the difference in a championship series, it was cold-hearted Howie, who always seemed to have the pivotal hit in each Len's rally and managed to serve up a steady diet of pop-ups and ground-outs to anxious Irish bats in both games.

Len's wins first game

The first meeting of the two clubs took place in the afternoon's semifinal round of the winners' bracket, a summit that each team had reached by taking its first three games without a loss. Len's entered the game with victories over New Home Builders of Millbury, host team Eagle Cafe of Pittsfield, and Regan's Sub Shop of Peabody, while the Irish defeated MJR Variety of Leominster, Monument Beach Package Store of Cape Cod, and defending champ Ronnie's Auto Body of Worcester.

Quickly falling behind 5-1 after two innings with only a Charley Simonelli home run to show for its efforts, the Irish found themselves frustratingly handcuffed by Howie and his henchmen until the sixth, when the Americans and the very partisan Lakewood Field crowd came alive with back-to-back leadoff singles by Simonelli and Buddy Pellerin.

With Simonelli on third and Pellerin at first, No. 3 hitter Ray Woitkowski lofted a deep fly to right center, upon which both runners tagged up and took off for home and second. Simonelli made it, scoring the second Irish run, but Pellerin was

judged out at second by umpire George Piltzecker for failing to keep in touch with the base.

Incensed that such a bone-head play could even be imagined, Pellerin vigorously stated his conviction that he had been pushed off the bag by Len's second baseman. The ump did not agree, but the Irish bench and the well-lubricated hometown crowd did.

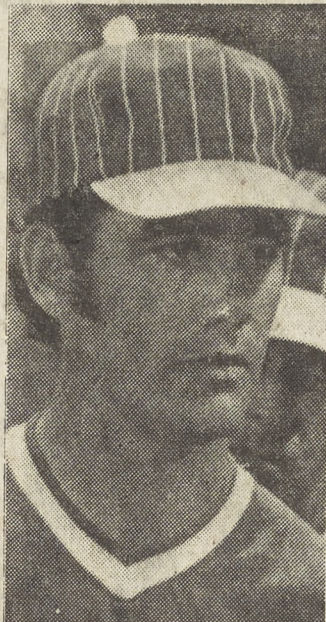
Boos and booze

What transpired almost turned into small-scale riot, with Pellerin, Irish coaches Bones Shefan and company, their momentum at stake, stalking Piltzecker for some reconsideration and angry Pittsfield rooters behind the backstop turning their abuse on plate ump Steve Whiton, who had nothing to do with the call.

Said Whiton, a veteran arbiter from Lynn, after the game, "I've never called a game where liquor was served (in the stands) before. It's brutal, just incredible."

Said Pellerin, the affable springtime Pittsfield High baseball coach, "There's no way I was out. I gave it a bent-knee slide, hit the bag and popped up. Next thing I know I'm flattened out and halfway back to first. But, hell, I would've done the same to him."

The Irish rally and enthusiasm died with the judg-



Mike Meserole
Howie Booth
tourney standout

ment at second. With their first loss of the tournament, the Americans were expelled to the losers' bracket and the chore of beating Ronnie's Auto again for a return shot at the Lounge.

Taking advantage of their desire for another crack at Len's and a fatigued Ronnie's team, which had concluded a game only minutes before with Regan's Sub, the Irish won 5-2, despite another adverse call at second (this time on a defensive

play by Dick MacCartney) and the presence of Ronnie himself, who showed up moments before game time to inspire his troops.

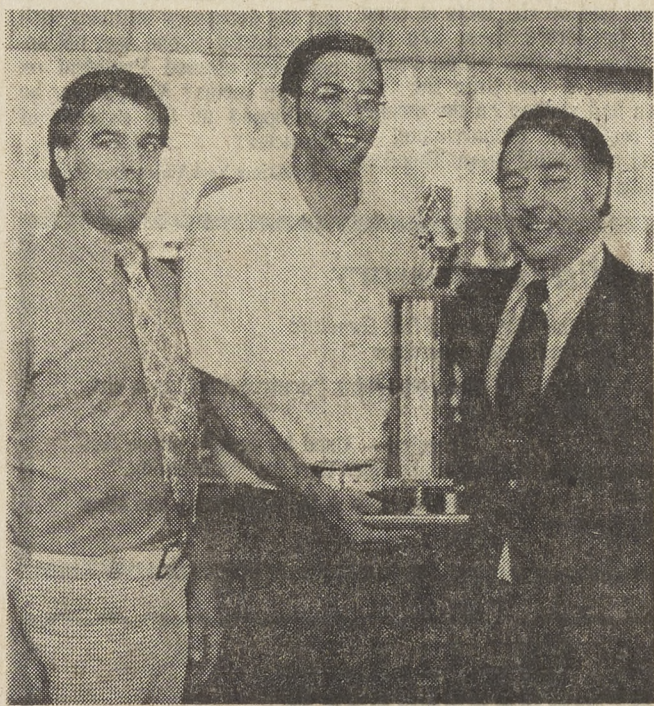
Booth does it again

Faced with the task of having to beat the only undefeated team in the tournament twice, the Irish took the field in the finals with determination. But a seven-run Lounge fourth inning and Booth's effective twirling left the Americans standing at the altar. A brief flurry of activity in the bottom of the sixth and an earth-quaking slide into second by Woitkowski for old-times' sake woke up the crowd, but it was too late.

"Booth is good," said Simonelli, who along with his brother Tony, Tom and Dick MacCartney, Joe Lipa, Jan Villanova, Woitkowski and Pellerin has sparked the Irishmen all season long. "But he's no better than our Shaun Broderick or Eagle Cafe's John Enright. We just didn't hit, and I've seen better umping."

As for Broderick and teammates Lipa, Ed Chandler, and Doug Hebert, the regional tournament could be harder to hit than Booth, because it coincides with their appearance at Army Reserves summer camp.

"We'll fly 'em in if we have to," said coach Sheran. Especially if it means another shot at cold-hearted Howie.



Mike Meserole

FIRST TRIPLE CROWN in history of City Slow-Pitch softball was won this year by first baseman Al Belanger, center, of James Jewelers. Trophy was presented by brothers James, left, and Tom Ditello, proprietors of jewelry establishment.

MAR 1 2 1973
Brindle League
 to expand, needs
 volunteer help

The Paul Brindle Baseball League will expand this season, its second in existence, to include the north and west sections of the city. The circuit will at least double in size and more coaches, sponsors, umpires and general volunteer help will be needed.

The league will meet tomorrow night at the home of Doug LaBarbera of 230 Eleanor Road. Anyone, who would like to assist in the program this year, may notify LaBarbera or Tom Dwyer of 25 James St.

The Paul Brindle League is for boys 13 through 15 years of age who do not make the Pittsburgh Babe Ruth League.

APR 24 1973
Re-registration
 for North minors

Re-registration for the James DiNicola division of the North Minor League will be held at Brown Street Field tomorrow at 6 p.m. and again on Thursday at 6 p.m. If it rains on either day, the date will be this Saturday at 1 p.m.

Boys interested in playing minor league baseball must re-register whether they played last year or not.

MAY 4 1973
Brindle league
 to hold tryouts
 twice next week

The Paul Brindle Baseball League will hold registration Monday and Tuesday. Boys who live in the north and east sections are asked to sign up at Brown Street field. Those in the south and west should report to Crosby Junior High field.

Signups will be accepted for boys 13-15 years old from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Each evening tryouts will be held at these same locations Wednesday through Friday.

This year it will not be mandatory for a boy to have tried out for the Babe Ruth League. This is being done to encourage the older boys (14-15) to enroll in the Brindle program. There will be room for 150 boys in the league this year.

Coaching talent is needed. Any interested adults are asked to report to the registration sessions.

MAY 17 1973
Minor loop
baseball
 opens Sunday

The Minor League of Pittsburgh will open its 1973 baseball season Sunday afternoon at 1 on the Brown Street field with an independent game between Nichols Brothers of the James DiNicola Division (North) and last year's Minor League champions Keystone Roofing from the West Division.

Game time will be at 2 but opening-day ceremonies will begin at 1. All coaches and players in the city Minor League are expected to attend. The state champion VFW color guard will present the colors, Paul Nixon will sing the national anthem and Ward 1 Councilman Phil Tully will throw out the first ball.

MAY 3 1 1973
Paul Brindle League opens
 with two divisions June 4

The Paul Brindle baseball league commences play on June 4 with two five-team divisions.

The North Division will play at the Taconic High field and the Southern Division at the Crosby Junior High diamond.

Games will be played Monday through Friday starting at 6

p.m. The season will be of eight weeks' duration with a break to coincide with the GE shutdown.

A playoff for the championship will follow the end of regular season play.

Player agent for the Northern is Tom Dwyer and for the Southern Division, Doug Barbera. The umpire in chief for the league is Jim Eulian.

The sponsors, coaches and team rosters are as follows:

SOUTH DIVISION

Phair Electric

Coach—Earle Horne, Bob Goyette, John Beischel, Gary Ettinger, Ed Puskey, Tom Brainerd, Bill Regan, David Hunziker, Neil Wannanen, Dan Miraglia, Kevin Winslow, Bob Mackey, Bill Phair, Dale Wannanen, John Donovan, Jim Fields.

D. J. Tierney

Coach — Steve Dallmeyer, John Graham, Pat Newton, Paul Bradley, Doug Guinan, Jeff Murray, Bill Tierney, Bob Penna, Mark Dallmeyer, Tom Marshall, Pat Godfrey, Kevin Fitzgerald, J. Laureyns, Paul Fitzgerald, Gary Jamross, Bob Peterson.

Yellow Aster

Coach—Ed Smith, Dan Lacy, Mat Barbas, Chris Gregory, Joe Baylock, John Haughey, Chris Couig, Pete Bordeaux, Jim Tharion, Earl Kibby, Bob Blais, Mike Hall, John Mizia, Mark Pullano, Tom Baylock, Paul Mansen.

Pezzini Electric

Coach—Joe Roulier, Dave Komlosi, Tom Harrington, Dave Gionet, John Pezzini, Gary Debonis, David Harmon, Vin Patricelli, Tim Hublin, Sean Harvey, Ralph Magri, Steve Pezzini, Carlos Pedraza, Kent Woodger, John Boyington, Steve Harvey.

Sweatland-Pierce

Coach—Steve Barbas, Mike Sheldon, Dave Christman, Tom O'Connell, Steve Sheran, Steve Selin, Ralph Hubergson, Dennis Cyr, Skip Ducharme, Ken Lussier, Mike Harris, Mike Rollin, Dan Bourquard, Phil Litano, Joe Frawley, John Ogle.

NORTH DIVISION

Civitan

Coach—Dick Hatin, Kevin Wixsom, Dennis Wixsom, Richard Gross, Bill Barry, Ralph Hamm, David Wheeler, Todd Riddle, John Lafini, Kevin Rivers, Mark Hatin, Eric Kern, Mike Apple, David Daoust, Mike Regan, Dan King.

Elks

Coach—Fran Devanny, Richard Cook, John Desjardins, Mike O'Brien, Jerry Cannon, Sam Lannan, David Arthur, Jim Winslow, Earl Pembie, Mark DiTomasso, Glen Pomeroy, Allen Gomes, Clement Lacy, Bill Gomes, Rick Dalzell, Ralph Pettograsso.

Burger Chef

Coach—Dan Miner, Mike Tornicelli, Pat Wilson, Tom Serridge, Alan Torchia, Buck Kendall, Perry Gould, Andrew Miner, Paul Borelli, Daniel Robillard, Bill Cobb, John Almeida, Eric LaRoche, Sam Frangipane, Bob Wilson, Paul Bradley.

Bradleys-Stop&Shop

Coach—Mike Tyler, Roger Sala, Ed Gibeau, Tim Jones, James Zawistowski, Paul Kasala, Jim Kasala, Jim Broderick, Tony Selvaggio, Dennis Adler, David Lanco, Mark Wasnewsky, Bruce Davine, Phil Daignault, Mark Nascimento, Bob Levine.

Nel's Restaurant

Coach—Cris Jacoby, Tom Moore, Bob Signor, Ken Gerlach, Tom Couture, Tom Knapp, John Barbour, Charles Pero, Glen Wilson, John Hall, Randy Barscz, Craig McElwain, Glen Secord, Tony Carusotto, Mike Walsh, Rex Green.

JUN 5 1973
Civitan, Phair
win opening
Brindle games

The Paul Brindle Baseball League opened last night with activity in both the northern and southern divisions. In the North, Civitan clubbed the Elks 19-10, and in the South, Phair Electric shocked D. J. Tierney 17-3.

Civitan's victory, played at the Taconic High field, was marked by an eight-run outburst in the second inning. Eric Kerns paced the attack with two hits and three runs batted in. Dan King picked up the win, striking out five. Mike O'Brien had a triple for the Elks.

In the South circuit opener, Bob Goyette and Bill Regan each knocked in three runs. Goyette, Gary Ettinger, Dan Miraglia and John Beischel all had two hits to lead Phair to their romp of the Tierney team. Tom Brainard was the winning hurler, scattering five hits and fanning eight.

Tonight in Brindle ball, Burger Chef meets Stop & Shop in the North Division at Taconic field, and Yellow Aster takes on Pezzini Electric at Crosby field in a South Division contest.

67 paid staffers hired for summer playgrounds

Forty-seven returning staff members and 20 new ones have been hired by the Parks Department for paid summer playground positions.

In addition, a number of alternates were chosen from the field of 100 new applicants to fill vacancies when staff members are unable to fill their positions.

The staff members, as announced by the Parks Department are:

ADMINISTRATION

Katie O'Donnell, assistant recreation supervisor; Donna Cardillo and Patricia Whalen, arts and crafts supervisors; James Sankiewicz, music and dance supervisor; Gracemary Chojnowski, nature supervisor; Robert Harrison, boys' sports supervisor; girls' sports supervisor, Joyce Wilks; Jay Collins and Dorothy Chamberlain, district supervisors; Martha Diamond, publicity supervisor.

LEADERS

Christine Alessio, Christine Barcus, Susan Brown, Cheryl Choquette, Anna Cirillo, Peggy Clary, Mary Ann Dellea, Michele Dennis, Jayne DiNicola, William DiNicola, Maureen Duffy, Kathleen Flynn, Sandy Drauss, Cathy Lynch, Martha Magner,

Kathryn Maruk, Daniel Melle, Louise Pictrowski, Doug Quadrozzi, Mary Reilly, Claudia Russett, Jody Skrocki, Gerianne Socha, Monica Touhey, Rod Tripp, Virginia Wallace.

ASSISTANT LEADERS

Joan Allaire, Charlene Bordeaux, Deborah Coy, Steven DeVergilio, Coleen Enright, Sheryl Garner, David Grady, Michael Harper, Tim Isabel, Elizabeth Keegan, Joseph Kirvin, Janice Lauzon, Jeffrey LeBlanc, John Lucek, Sheila Mahan, Maureen Myers, Mary O'Malley, Patricia Panetti, Patricia Rainka, Jodie Sacchetti, Cami Sacco, John Sheran, Patricia Smith, Linda Stanton, Heather Tierney.

ALTERNATES

Michael Adelson, Thomas Carnevale, Robert Choquette, Mar-

sha Correia, Marianne Curd, Donna Delaney, Mickey Goodrich, Marybeth Howe, James Johnson, Regina Larkin, Kim Lavelle, Susan Livvergren, Anne Lindsay, Chris McCarty, Kathleen McErlain, Karen Mole, Callie Murphy, Diane Murray, Patricia Oslund, Judy Papa, Patricia Pearce, Arthur Pelletier, Gisela Siegmund, Mary Jane Simon, Rosemary Simonetta, Marianne Smalling, Patrice Tassinari, Jon Tate, Patricia Tucker, Patricia Vasseur, Deborah Waldron.

SPORTS LEADERS

Debra Hubbard and Ben Kaplan, full time; Richard Drennan and Charlie Palano, part time.

MENTALLY RETARDED PROGRAM

William Madden, director; Charlotte Morris, assistant director; Joan Bilotta, Virginia Blasioli, William Broderick, and Lynne Harris, aides; Karen LaChapelle and Mina Paladino, alternates.

David Grady is runner-up in national essay contest

David F. Grady, a senior at St. Joseph's High School here, has been named one of two national runners-up in the United Nations Essay Contest.

The award entitles Grady, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin R. Grady Jr. of 7 Myrtle St., to speak before the House subcommittee on International Organization and Movement, a subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Grady plans to appear before the committee May 22 in Washington.

There was one winner and two runners-up in the nationwide contest, according to Dr. John L. Lewine of West Stockbridge, president of the Berkshire County Chapter of the United Nations.

The local student won this year's June Clement Memorial U.N. Essay Contest, sponsored by the county U.N. chapter. He also was winner of the county American Legion Oratorical Contest and took fourth place in the state finals.

The names of all chapter winners were sent to New York, to



David F. Grady

be judged for national U.N. honors, Lewine said.

Grady, 17, will attend Williams College in the fall.

Playground staffers get orientation

A playground training institute sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation started today and will run through Thursday.

The three-day institute is an orientation to familiarize the summer staff with playground policies. It includes workshops in arts and crafts, music and dance, nature, and boys' and girls' sport activities.

About 75 staff members are attending the program, which is being held at the Girls Club. The public is invited.

Each session begins at 1 p.m.

JUN 12 1973



Joel Librizzi

GAPING HOLE in fence at the north end of the Common gives a youngster enough room to swing on the cable. At the right is an embankment leading to the railroad tracks. At left is the Common playground.

Holes and missing sections of the fence are the object of protests by various parents. One man, John J. Provenzano, sat on the tracks Friday evening as a train approached. He was carried away by local police.

RR official says vandals ruin fence

By RICHARD K. WEIL

Frank C. Hatch, trainmaster for the Penn Central railroad here, said today that vandals seem to cut down fences as quickly as the railroad puts them up.

He said that the railroad repaired a portion of the fence between the Common and the tracks in 1969 and that it was almost immediately "cut out with wire cutters."

The fence, which has a number of gaping holes and whole sections of which have fallen down, was the object of a one-man protest Friday.

Whose job?

John J. Provenzano, 33, of 117 Second St. sat on the tracks as a freight train came within 200 feet of his body. Local police lifted him off the tracks and charged him with trespassing. District Court Judge Frank W.

Cimini Saturday continued

Provenzano's case until May 26. Hatch declined to comment on whose responsibility it is to fix the fence. He said fence construction and repair normally is a "50-50 proposition between the railroad and the abutters." But he said he was not sure of the responsibility in this case.

He expressed the belief that Ward 2 Councilman Raymond E. Crow is behind the Provenzano protest. "Crow's making the snowballs and Provenzano's throwing them for him," Hatch said.

He said that a fence near the current Jubilee Apartments housing project was put up two

years ago and that it was torn down by vandals immediately.

Hatch said youngsters with guns have shot at trains from behind the Big N store.

The area of the tracks near the Common "is nothing but a city dump," he said. He said the public also abuses other sections of track in Pittsfield.

Railroad fence repair started by Park Dept.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said today that his men began making "temporary repairs" to the broken-down fence abutting the Penn Central tracks at the north end of the Common.

"We're trying to make it safe for now," Hebert said, "but we're going to ask for an entirely new fence for the area." He advocates a 6-foot-high chain-link fence. And he says the railroad may agree to pay for the materials if the city provides the labor.

The lack of a fence between a toddlers playground and the railroad embankment has been the cause of concern for some parents.

Judge files charge in RR protest

The man who protested alleged inadequate fencing along the railroad tracks by squatting in front of an oncoming train May 18 was found guilty of trespassing in District Court Saturday.

John J. Provenzano, 33, of 117 Second St., who has said he undertook the protest to protect his children, said "I am guilty of trespassing, really guilty, but I am also guilty of being a father." Judge John A. Barry filed the charge.

Provenzano said he was pleased to see that the Park Department had started repairs on the fence near the First Street Common, where he staged his one-man protest a week ago.

JUN 16 1973

Playgrounds open Monday in Pittsfield

The playgrounds of Pittsfield will open Monday at 10 a.m. and will remain open until Aug. 17.

There will be new hours for the playgrounds this year: Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Children may register at their local park throughout the week, according to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Monday's special events at the parks are:

- Allendale: Frisbee game
- Dewey: Tall tale day
- Egremont: Summer things on parade — 6:30
- Highland: Mexican week
- Lakewood: Teepee ball
- Lebanon: Get-acquainted day
- Pitt Special: Welcome picnic
- Pontoosuc: Tag day
- West Memorial: Get-acquainted day

JUN 20 1973

Heart Assn. plans dribbling marathon

The Berkshire division of the Massachusetts Heart Association will hold a basketball dribbling marathon Saturday.

Louis J. Russo, chairman of the division and of the event, said the money raised will benefit the division's fund drive.

Called a "Youth Bounce for Beats," the event will be held from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. concurrently at Clapp and Lakewood parks and at the Common.

Donation pledges

Participants are asked to obtain sponsors who will pledge a given donation for each minute the participant is able to continue bouncing.

The pledge cards and additional information may be obtained by calling the Heart Office at 2-0495 or from park leaders at any of the city's 21 playgrounds.

Russo said adult supervisors are needed and can volunteer their services by calling the office. The Pittsfield Park Department is host for the event.

JUN 21 1973

Playground schedule

- Abby Lodge — Frisbee tournament, 1:30
- Allendale — Relays, 10:30
- Allen Heights — Thumper tournament, 2:30
- Burbank — Antipollution day
- Clapp — Crazy hats, 2:30
- Common — Bulletin-board contest, 2:00
- Crane — Greaser day
- Deming — Fun and games hour, 1:30
- Dewey — Volleyball, 6:30
- Egremont — Mystery garden — plan and planting
- Highland — Mexican week — break pinata, 3:00
- Lakewood — Foul-shooting contest, 10:30
- Lebanon — Crazy-hat contest, 10:45
- Osceola — Popcorn and Kool-Aid sale, 1:30
- Pitt Special — Masked-murder day, 2:30
- Pontoosuc — Bake sale, 1:30
- Root — Drama day, 10:30
- Springside — Balloon-throwing contest, 3:00
- Wahconah — Swap and switch, 12:00
- West Memorial — Sand-castle contest, 1:30
- Williams — Robot day, 10:30
- Outer Williams — Mother-daughter volleyball, 3:00
- Wilson — Baby-picture contest, 10:30

JUN 23 1973

Program schedule

- Abby Lodge, Penny hunt 3:00
- Allendale, Find it eat it candy contest 3:00
- Allen Heights, Licorice eating contest 10:30
- Burbank, Dance contest 1:30
- Clapp, Poster contest 2:00
- Common, Story telling time 3:00
- Crane, Dress up your pet 10:30
- Deming, Obstacle course 10:30
- Dewey, Puppet parade
- Egremont, Space helmet contest 3:00
- Highland, Dress-up pets 11:00
- Lakewood, Carom championship 1:30
- Lebanon, Wheelbarrow race 1:30
- Osceola, Eat week — lemon eating night 6:30
- Pitt, Water balloon throw 2:00
- Pitt Special, Scavenger hunt 2:30
- Pontoosuc, Stuffed animal day 2:00
- Root, Softball throw 2:00
- Springside, Volleyball tournament
- Wahconah, Battle of the sexes 2:00
- West Memorial, Popcorn and Kool-Aid sale 1:30
- Williams, Carom tournament 10:30
- Outer Williams, Peanut hunt 6:30
- Wilson, Carom tournament 10:30

JUN 25 1973

Playground schedule

- Abby Lodge — Lollipop licking contest, 2:00
- Allendale — Add and subtract contest, 10:30
- Allen Heights — Softball game, 6:30
- Burbank — Freckle contest, 10:30
- Clapp — Clean-up crew, 1:00
- Common — Arts and Crafts, 1:00
- Crane — Count your freckles, 1:30
- Deming — What's in the package, 1:30
- Dewey
- Egremont — Spaced out stories, 10:30
- Highland — Dress up stuffed animals, 2:00
- Lakewood — Bake sale, 2:00
- Lebanon — Stuffed animal contest, 2:00
- Osceola — Marshmallow roasting, 6:30
- Pitt — Bike rodeo, 1:30
- Pitt Special — Masquerade time, 1:30
- Pontoosuc — Picnic, 1:30
- Root — Crazy hat contest, 10:30
- Springside — Arts and crafts
- Wahconah — Frisbee tournament, 2:30
- West Memorial — Stuffed animal contest 10:30
- Williams — Bubble gum contest 10:30
- Outer Williams — Bake sale 2:00
- Wilson — Kickball contest 1:30

JUN 19 1973

Park Dept. seeking volunteers for Highland playground

The Department of Parks and Recreation has announced that volunteers are still being sought for the playground for the mentally retarded at Highland School.

The playground will open on Monday, June 25, and will close Friday, Aug. 17. It will be open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Parents of children who will be attending the playground have been asked to return their forms as soon as possible so a definite bus list may be drawn up.

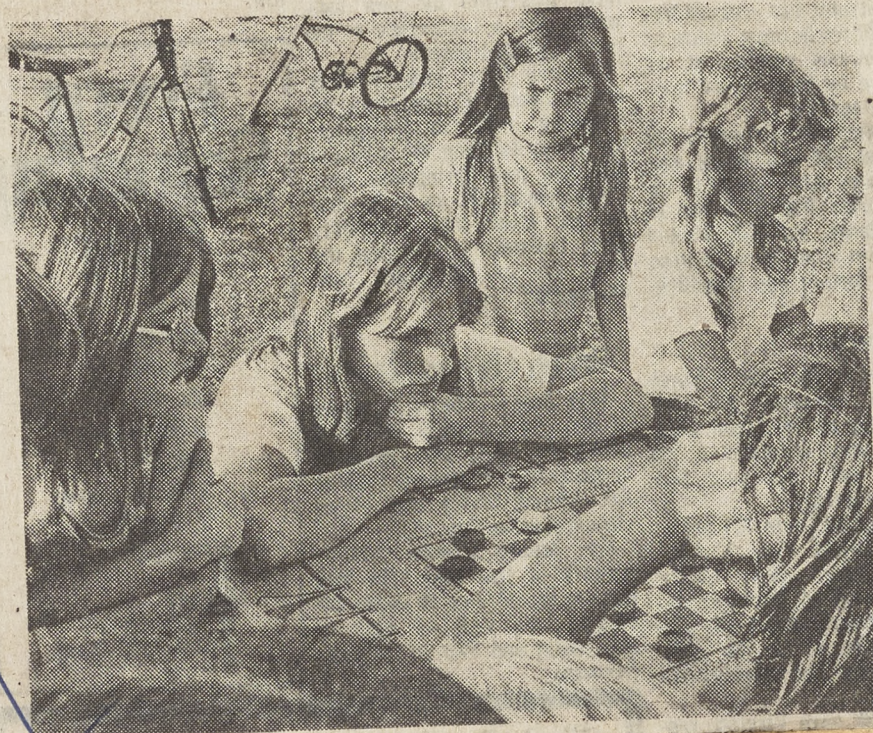
Persons wishing to do volunteer work have also been asked to get their applications in as soon as possible so a schedule may be arranged and so that they may be included in the bus list.

JUN 20 1973

Playground schedule

- Abby Lodge — Crayon design, 1:30
- Allendale — Parents' Night
- Allen Heights — Scavenger hunt, 6:30
- Burbank — Doll and truck show, 10:30
- Clapp — Freckle contest, 7
- Common — Horseshoe contest, 2
- Crane — Picnic lunch, 12
- Deming — Home run derby, 3
- Dewey — Mad Hatter day, 6:30
- Egremont — Music and dance, 6
- Highland — Mexican Week-fiesta
- Lakewood — Bubble gum blowing contest, 10:30
- Lebanon — Relay races, 7
- Osceola — Animal fashion show, 10:30
- Pitt — Miniature golf, 6:30
- Pitt Special — Treasure hunt, 1:30
- Pontoosuc — Mad Cappers, 10:30
- Root — Stuffed animal contest, 3
- Springside — Fastest Human in the World, 6
- Wahconah — Penny hunt, 2:30
- West Memorial — Pet show, 10:15
- Williams — Talent show, 2
- Outer Williams — Relay games, 10:30
- Wilson — Peanut hunt, 3

JUN 23 1973



Checkers

Supposedly checkers is a game for only two players, but this contest at Deming Park appears to have more.

JUN 19 1973

Playground schedule for Wednesday

- Abby Lodge — Get acquainted volleyball game 2:30
- Allendale — Softball game 2:00
- Allen Heights — Crazy-hat day
- Burbank — Coloring contest 2:00
- Clapp — Parents' Night 6:30
- Common — Safety-poster contest 2:00
- Crane — Frisbee tournament 1:30
- Deming — Checker tournament 6:30
- Dewey — Hunt and chew 3:00
- Egremont — Family volleyball and marshmallow roast 6:30
- Highland — Mexican week—bullfights 10:30
- Lakewood — Volleyball contest 2:30
- Lebanon — Coloring contest 2:30
- Osceola — Scavenger hunt 3:00
- Pitt — Basketball-bouncing contest 2:00
- Pitt Special — Flying Frisbees 11:00
- Pontoosuc — Parents' Night 6:30
- Root — Nature scavenger hunt 10:30
- Springside — Treasure hunt 10:30
- Wahconah — Wiffle ball tournament 1:30
- West Memorial — Home run derby 6:15
- Williams — Horseshoe tournament 10:30
- Outer Williams — Biggest Bubble 2:30
- Wilson — Roundup night 6:30

Mayor to see about getting park acreage

Mayor Butler is meeting with contractor Joseph Francese this afternoon about the possibility of obtaining acreage for a park in the Yankee Orchards neighborhood.

The mayor said Francese owns 37 acres there. "I'm going to discuss the possibility of the city acquiring a portion of that," he said.

Residents of Yankee Orchards on outer East Street have been seeking a park for years. On Monday 200 of them petitioned the mayor for action. Butler said they apparently feel that Councilman Henry V. Marchisio's proposed one- or two-acre playground in that area is too small.

The mayor said the Park Commission's idea of obtaining enough acreage there for both park and future school needs is a good one.

JUN 20 1973

JUN 26 1973

Playground schedule

- Abby Lodge, Nature mobiles 10:00
- Allendale, Detect the leader 1:45
- Allen Heights, Bubble gum contest 3:00
- Burbank, Carrom tournament 1:30
- Clapp, Peanut party 1:30
- Common, Arts and Crafts 1:00
- Crane, Volleyball game 6:00
- Deming, Bubble gum contest 2:00
- Dewey, Animal characterization day 2:00
- Egremont, Space races 6:30
- Highland, Dress-up yourself 1:00
- Lakewood, Bike races 2:00
- Lebanon, Peanut hunt 10:30
- Osceola, Spaghetti eating contest 2:00
- Pitt, Lake day 10:45
- Pitt Special, Pigtail contest 10:30
- Pontoosuc, Summer theme coloring 10:30
- Root, Bake sale 6:45
- Springside, Softball tournament 1:30
- Wahconah, Balloon breaking contest 11:00
- West Memorial, Bubble gum contest 3:00
- Williams, Home run derby 1:30
- Outer Williams, Dress yourself up 2:30
- Wilson, Stuff animal contest 7:00

JUN 27 1973

Playground schedule

- Abby Lodge, Guess How Many M&M's in the bottle, 1:30
- Allendale, Detect the leader, 1:45
- Allen Heights, Bake sale, 6:30
- Burbank, Newspaper fashion show, 10:30
- Clapp, Zodiac day, 3:00
- Common, Bake sale, 11:00
- Crane, Stand on Your head contest, 11:00
- Deming, Cake and cookie sale, 10:00
- Egremont, Do-it-yourself space ship
- Highland, Dress-up bike day, 1:00
- Lakewood, Bike races, 2:00
- Lebanon, Lemon eating contest, 3:30
- Osceola, Soda fountain, 2:00
- Pitt, Bike Rodeo, 2:00
- Pitt Special, Trip to Library, 1:30
- Pontoosuc, Dodge ball
- Root, Lemon eating contest, 6:45
- Springside, Marshmallow roast, 6:00
- Wahconah, Chess and checkers tournament, 11:00
- West Memorial, Marshmallow roast, 6:30
- Outer Williams, Marble shooting contest, 3:00
- Wilson, Softball throw contest, 2:30

No playground trips to out-of-town parks planned this year

As a result of a decision reached by the Park Commission following the 1972 summer playground program, there will be no trips to Riverside Park in West Springfield or Mountain Park in Holyoke sponsored by the various city playgrounds this summer.

The decision was prompted by difficulties with the trips over the past few years. A spokesman said that the problem was with disciplining the children and with obtaining volunteer chaperons to assist.

This year the playgrounds will plan in-city trips or other special events in place of the out-of-city trips.

JUN 23 1973

The swinging season



Summer and the Pittsfield playground season arrived this week. The scene is at Highland Playground.

Paul Rocheleau

Rally Day is Thursday at Clapp Park

Rally Day sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation will be Thursday at 1 p.m. at Clapp Park.

All Pittsfield youngsters between the ages of 6 and 15 are eligible to compete in relays, softball throw, hill climb, dash, jump and other events.

Regular activity at the city's playgrounds will cease between noon and 6 p.m. Thursday, according to a spokesman.

Competitors must bring parental permission slips in order to participate. Ribbons and candy will be awarded to winners.

JUN 28 1973

Playground schedule

Abby Lodge, Miniature golf, 1:30
Allendale, Softball game, 2:00
Allen Heights, Bulletin board contest
Burbank, Peanut hunt, 1:30
Clapp, Homerun derby, 3:00
Crane, Bake sale, 11:00
Deming, Make cartoon characters, 2:00
Dewey, Animal characterization day
Egremont, It's in the stars, 1:30
Highland, Lake day
Lakewood, Frisbee tournament, 1:30
Lebanon, Baby picture contest, 2:00
Osceola, Search for goodies, 2:00
Pitt, Softball throw, 2:00
Pitt Special, Zoorama, 2:00
Pontoosuc, Relay races, 2:00
Root, Guess your best
Springside, All-day games day
Wahconah, Lemon eating contest, 1:30
West Memorial, Frisbee tournament, 2:00
Outer Williams, Treasure hunt, 2:30
Wilson, Festival of marvelous garbage, 10:30.

JUN 30 1973

Park Dept. opens baseball fields

Increasing interest in hardball has prompted the Department of Parks and Recreation to relax the ban on the sport at some of its ball fields.

Some playgrounds previously restricted to softball will be opened up to both kinds of baseball. A spokesman said use of these fields will be limited to playground children during playground hours, except for previously scheduled league games.

The following fields may now be used for both hardball and softball: Allendale (old Little League Diamond), Clapp, Common, Deming, Egremont, Lakewood, Osceola, Springside (Brown Street field), Root, Wahconah, West Memorial, Williams and Wilson.

JUN 30 1973 Playground schedule

MONDAY

Abby Lodge, Ecology Day 10:00
Allen Heights, Paper-clip projects 2:00
Burbank, Bulletin board contest 1:30
Clapp, Spaghetti-eating contest 2:00
Crane, Mexican jumping-bean relay 10:30
Deming, Free-throw shooting contest 2:30
Dewey, Greaser Day
Egremont, Christmastree decorating with carols 6:30
Highland, Bubble gum contest 2:00
Lakewood, Pipe cleaner animals 10:30
Osceola, Rally day practice 2:00
Pitt, Hobby show 2:00
Pitt Special, What's in the package? 2:00
Pontoosuc, Paint on freckles contest 2:00
Root, Bubble-gum chewing contest 2:15
Springside, Crazy hat day 3:00
Wahconah, Felt crafts 11:00
West Memorial, Four-leaf clover contest
Williams, Glider contest 1:30
Outer Williams, Make kites 2:00
Wilson, Frieda Frizzy day 6:30

JUL 2 1973

Playground schedule

MONDAY

2:00 Abby Lodge—Marshmallow stuffing contest
11:00 Allen Heights—Seesaw balancing contest
3:00 Burbank—Four-leaf clover hunt
6:00 Clapp—Bake sale
Common—Stuffed animal contest
10:30 Crane—Spaghetti-eating contest
3:00 Deming—Lime-eating contest
Dewey—Ladies' and gents' day
2:00 Egremont—Egremont's rendition of "Christmas Carol"
Highland—Lollipop-licking contest
1:30 Lakewood—Pirate day
6:30 Osceola—Park patriots' parade
2:00 Pitt—Bike workshop
1:30 Pitt Special—Kookie kap contest
2:00 Pontoosuc—Tall tales day
6:30 Root—Bingo day
1:00 Springside—Swim day
1:30 Wahconah—Volleyball tournament
2:00 West Memorial—Licorice chew
1:30 Williams—Rally day practice
3:00 Outer Williams—Lemon-eating contest
1:30 Wilson—Rally day warm-ups

Summer playground staff is named

The staff for the summer playground program has been announced by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Supervisors who will coordinate activities for the parks are:

Joyce M. Wilkes, assistant recreation supervisor. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Wilkes of 241 Wahconah St. A graduate of Taconic High School and an honors graduate of Berkshire Community College, Miss Wilkes is a senior at UMass and is majoring in physical education. She has been with the department three years.

Martha J. Diamond, publicity supervisor, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Diamond of 14 Commonwealth Ave. She is a Pittsfield High School graduate and a junior at Boston College, majoring in special education for emotional disturbance. This is her first year with the department.

Patrice C. Whalen and Donna Cardillo, arts and crafts supervisors. Miss Whalen is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Whalen of 240 Dawes Ave. She is a PHS graduate and a junior at the University of New Hampshire, majoring in social service. This is her second year with the department. Miss Cardillo, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Cardillo of 44 Dorchester Ave., is a junior, majoring in elementary education at Salem State College. She has been with the department for two years.

Dorothy Chamberlain and Jay Collins, district supervisors. Miss Chamberlain is a June graduate of the Elms with a B.A. in elementary education. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Chamberlain of 34 Preston Ave., she has been with the department five years. Collins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James W. Collins of 82 McArthur St. He is a Taconic High graduate and a junior at St. Anselm's College, majoring in sociology. He is also in charge of the summer soccer league, and has been with the department for three years.

Douglas Quadrozzi, boys' sports supervisor, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Quadrozzi of 28 Cromwell Ave. A PHS graduate, he is a junior majoring in pre-law at Boston College. He has been with the department for three years.

Michele Dennis, girls sports

supervisor, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon C. Dennis. She is a sophomore at BCC, majoring in physical education and is in her third year with the department.

Gracemary Chojnowski, nature supervisor, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Chojnowski of 190 Brown St. She is a sophomore at BCC, majoring in special education, and has been with the department for two years.

James A. Stankiewicz, music and dance supervisor, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stankiewicz of 52 Yorkshire Ave. He is a graduate of PHS and a junior at Lowell State College, majoring in music education. This is his fourth year with the department.

Playground leaders and their assistants are:

Abbey Lodge, Heather Tierney, Joan M. Allaire, Allendale, Anna Cirillo, Jodie A. Sacchetti, Allen Heights, Monica Touhey, Sheila Mahan, Burbank, Kathryn A. Maruk, Maureen Myers, Clapp, Patricia S. Rainka, James Johnson, and Common, Linda C. Stanton, Jon Tate.

Also, Crane, Susan Brown, Patrice Tassinari, Dewey.

Elizabeth Keegan, Marsha Correia; Deming, Timothy Isabel, Nancy Lusignan; Egremont, Virginia Wallace, Janice Lauzon; Highland, Christine Alessio, Karen Mole, and Lakewood, Kathleen M. Flynn, Joseph Kirvin.

Also, Lebanon, Michael Harper, Charlele Bordeaux; Osceola, Peggy Clary, Patricia Smith; Pitt, Mary Ann Dellea, Robert Choquette; Pitt Special, Martha Magner; Pontoosuc, Patricia Panetti, Karen LaChapelle, and Root, Claudia Russett, Sheryl Garner.

And, Springside, Susan Livvergren, David Grady; Wahconah, Patricia Oslund, Thomas LaBarbera; West Memorial, Joann Skrocki, Mary A. Biagini; Williams, Sandra Krauss, Debra Coy; Outer Williams, Cheryl Choquette, Coleen Enright, and Wilson, Jayne DiNicola, Judy Papa.

Playground schedule

Thursday
2:00 Abby Lodge — Frisbee tournament
11:00 Allendale — Lemonaid booth
10:30 Allen Heights — How Much Does It Cost?
2:00 Burbank — Indian dress-up day
2:00 Clapp — Nature walk
10:30 Crane — Suzy Spotless poster contest
10:00 Deming — Punt, pass and kick
Dewey — Bake-sale race
6:30 Egremont — Give our regards to Broadway
2:00 Highland — Frisbee toss
1:30 Lakewood — Funny day
12:30 Lebanon — Trip to the airport on bikes
12:30 Osceola — Lake day
1:30 Pitt — Scavenger hunt
1:30 Pitt Special — Trip to the library
1:30 Pontoosuc — Make a cartoon character
2:00 Root — Wacky relay races
6:00 Springside — Frisbee contest
2:00 Wahconah — Bake sale
6:30 West Memorial — Marshmallow roast
2:00 Williams — Roller derby
3:00 Outer Williams — Count the M & M's in the jar
1:30 Wilson — Kool-Aid and popcorn
JUL 11 1973

City Parks JUL 17 1973 carnival set tomorrow

The 24 playgrounds of the Department of Parks and Recreation will hold the annual city-wide carnival tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the First Street Common.

Gate prizes will be an RCA AM-FM stereo, a Columbia 10-speed bike and a 12-inch Panasonic portable television, a spokesman said.

The playground program will have game booths for softball throw, fishing for prizes and others.

In addition, the "Little Blue Wagon," a children's summer-tour theatre, will perform puppetry, story-telling and drama at 1 and 3:30 p.m.

Donation tickets to qualify for prizes may be purchased from children in the playground program and at the carnival. Regular summer playground activities will not be held tomorrow.

Playground schedule

TUESDAY
2:00 Abby Lodge — Carrom tournament
10:30 Allendale — Bake sale
6:30 Allen Heights — Guess your weight
1:45 Burbank — Indian peace pipe day
2:30 Clapp — Trip to Friendly's
10:30 Common — Peanut hunt
6:00 Crane — Stuffed animals on parade
1:30 Dewey — Roman chariot race
2:00 Egremont — Bubble gum blowing contest
11:00 Highland — Puppet-making
1:30 Lakewood — Grub day
1:30 Lebanon — Cracker whistling contest
2:00 Osceola — Bake Sale
1:30 Pitt — Relay Day
2:30 Pitt Special — Racey-relay day
1:30 Pontoosuc — Checkers tournament
3:00 Root — Peanut hunt
2:00 — Springside — Bubble gum blowing contest
3:00 Wahconah — Marshmallow roast
2:00 West Memorial — Bike rodeo
6:00 Williams — Volleyball marathon
1:30 Outer Williams — Picnic at the brook
11:00 Wilson — Baby picture contest
JUL 9 1973

JUL 14 1973 Playground schedule

Monday
10:30 Highland — Carom tournament
1:00 Allendale — Stuffed animal shows
6:00 Allen Heights — Relay night
2:00 Burbank — Spinner contest
2:00 Clapp — Circus week
6:00 Common — Sports night
11:00 Crane — M&M mystery contest
11:00 Deming — Build-the-booth day
2:00 Dewey — Lemon eating
10:30 Egremont — Obstacle course
10:30 Highland — Carrom tournament
1:30 Lakewood — Mother-daughter volleyball
2:00 Lebanon — Decorate your bike
2:00 Osceola — Dress up day
1:30 Pitt — Build a booth
11:00 Pitt Special — Laugh-in
11:00 Pontoosuc — Picnic
10:30 Root — Carom tournament
10:30 Springside — Carom tournament
2:00 Wahconah — Dolls and stuffed animal show
10:30 West Memorial — Crazy hat day
1:30 Outer Williams — Stuffed animal contest
1:30 Wilson — Booth building

Playground schedule

Friday
3:00 Abby Lodge — Volley ball
2:00 Allendale — Finger puppet show
11:00 Allen Heights — Birdhouse project
10:30 Burbank — Marble-shooting contest
2:00 Clapp — Circus surprise
2:30 Crane — Soda-fountain day
1:00 Deming — Big-time wrestling
1:15 Dewey — Hot-string contest
2:00 Egremont — Three-legged races: charades
Highland — Lake Day
2:00 Lakewood — Jerry West and Pistol Pete Day
2:00 Lebanon — Baby-picture contest
10:30 Osceola — Bubble-blowing
2:00 Pitt — Kool-Aid contest
2:30 Pitt Special — Twister contest
11:00 Pontoosuc — Sand sculptures
3:00 Root — Capture the candy
Springside — Ecology Day
Wahconah — Lake Day
2:00 West Memorial — Beautify your park
1:30 Williams — Sack race
2:00 Outer Williams — Storytelling festival
1:30 Wilson — Watermelon sale
JUL 19 1973

JUL 7 1973 Playground schedule

MONDAY
2:00 Abby Lodge — Checker tournament
6:00 Allendale — Chess tournament
2:30 Allen Heights — How many candies in a jar
1:45 Burbank — Indian mask contest
2:30 Clapp — Treasure hunt
1:30 Common — Shoestring eating contest
11:00 Crane — Bike decorating day
2:00 Deming — Stuffed animal contest
2:00 Dewey — Hot air race
10:30 Egremont — Stuffed animal contest
2:00 Highland — Home run derby
10:30 Lakewood — Pick-up the park
1:30 Lebanon — Hole in one contest
10:30 Osceola — Freckle contest
1:30 Pitt — Lemon-eating contest
2:00 Pitt Special — Lollipop licking contest
10:30 Pontoosuc — Build a bulletin board
3:30 Root — Frisbee derby
10:30 Springside — Checker tournament
6:30 Wahconah — Giggle day
10:30 West Memorial — Scavenger hunt
2:00 Williams — Paper airplane race
1:30 Outer Williams — Poster contest
2:00 Wilson — Bubblegum contest

JUL 10 1973

Playground schedule

WEDNESDAY
2:00 Abby Lodge — Horseshoe tournament
2:00 Allendale — Baseball game
3:00 Allen Heights — What's in the package?
10:30 Burbank — Bike rodeo
2:00 Clapp — Pablo Picasso day
1:30 Common — Field trip, Pleasant Valley sanctuary
11:00 Crane — Carom tournament
1:30 Deming — Basketball tournament
3:00 Dewey — Swan race
3:00 Egremont — Greaser day
3:00 Highland — Relay race
1:30 Lakewood — Lemon-eating contest
6:30 Lebanon — Onion-eating contest
10:30 Osceola — Lake day
2:00 Pitt — Scavenger hunt
2:00 Pitt Special — Variety show
2:30 Pontoosuc — Softball game
2:15 Root — Pet show
2:00 Springside — Frisbee contest
6:30 Wahconah — Bake sale
2:00 West Memorial — Bike rodeo
2:00 Outer Williams — Carom tournament
1:00 Wilson — Home run derby

JUL 16 1973 Playground events

TUESDAY
2:00 Abby Lodge — Trip to the Penguin
1:00 Allendale — Create a show
10:30 Allen Heights — Halloween party
10:30 Burbank — Yo-Yo contest
2:00 Clapp — Circus fun day
6:30 Crane — Lemon-eating night
2:00 Deming — Home-run derby
1:30 Dewey — Trip to the Dairy Queen
2:00 Egremont — Handicrafts
6:30 Highland — Horseshoe tournament
1:30 Lakewood — Dress-up your bike
10:30 Lebanon — Getting ready for the carnival
10:30 Osceola — Carnival booth day
7:00 Pitt — Dribble derby
2:00 Pitt Special — Carnival parade
12:00 Pontoosuc — Lake day
2:30 Root — Backwards day
Springside — Work day for the carnival
10:00 Wahconah — Carnival crafts
3:00 West Memorial — Ice contest
1:30 Outer Williams — Stuffed animal contest
11:00 Wilson — Tug-of-war

Playground schedule JUL 21 1973 MONDAY

1:30 Abby Lodge — Nature hunt
10:30 Allen Heights — Marshmallow-eating contest
1:30 Burbank — Everybody's birthday
1:30 Clapp — Trip to the Friendly
10:30 Common — Carom tournament
10:00 Crane — Unspeakable day
1:30 Deming — Crazy-hat contest
1:30 Dewey — Dress up your pet
2:30 Egremont — Find the missing part
11:00 Highland — Carom tournament
6:00 Lakewood — Bake sale
2:00 Lebanon — Drawing contest
6:30 Osceola — Bubble gum-blowing contest
1:30 Pitt — Licorice of war
2:00 Pitt Special — Pick-up contest
2:15 Root — Peanut search
6:00 Springside — Decorate the balloon
6:30 Wahconah — Volley ball tournament
10:30 West Memorial — Freckle contest
6:00 Williams — Capture the flag
3:00 Outer Williams — Everybody's birthday
6:00 Wilson — Tea party

Playground schedule

FRIDAY
Abby Lodge — Trip to the lake
3:00 Allen Heights — Building contest
1:30 Burbank — Biggest bubble contest
12:30 Clapp — Bike hike to Onota Lake
10:30 Common — Treasure Hunt
11:00 Crane — Break the pinata
2:00 Deming — Horseshoe tournament
Dewey — Fairy-tale day
10:30 Egremont — Grab-bag gifts
Highland — Lake day
10:30 Lakewood — Home-run derby
2:00 Osceola — Diaper derby
1:30 Pitt — Checkers tournament
Pitt Special — Lake Day
2:00 Pontoosuc — Bake sale
Root — Lake day
1:30 Springside — Picnic and games day
1:30 Wahconah — Freak day
10:30 West Memorial — Four-square tournament
1:30 Williams — Bike decorating and races
1:30 Outer Williams — Ice contest
Wilson — Puppet and play
JUL 5 1973

JUL 7 1973 Playground hours being modified

Longer hours initiated this season at the city's playgrounds are being modified to give the playground staff a break.

Playgrounds are being kept open this year from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday, but the Department of Parks and Recreation reported today that the uninterrupted 10-hour stint is proving difficult for playground workers. As a result, a break is being introduced from 4:30 to 6 p.m. In addition, on Fridays the playground day will end at 4:30. On the other four days, however, the playgrounds will continue to be open from 6 to 8 p.m.

The new schedule goes into effect Monday.

JUL 19 1973



PUPPET SHOW by the Little Blue Wagon, a summer theatre run by three University of New Hampshire students, had its first appearance in Massachusetts yesterday at the annual carnival of the Pittsfield Park Dept.

Joel Librizzi

Playground carnival earns \$1,500

Yesterday's carnival at the First Street Common was a "fantastic success," according to Andrea G. Snell, recreation supervisor for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Miss Snell, who organized the annual affair with help from the leaders and assistant leaders of the city's 24 playground programs, estimated that \$1,500 was earned.

The "thoudands who attended" consumed 30 pounds of hot-dogs, 40 pounds of hamburg and 31 cases of soda, she said. Balloons sold out early, and the staff had to buy more prizes.

"It was one of the best carnivals in years," Miss Snell said.

Door prize winners

Winners of the door prizes were David J. Hutchinson of 140 Connecticut Ave., portable television set; Minnie H. Newbery of 797 Williams St., 10-speed bicycle, and Thomas A. Raimer of 36 Imperial Ave., AM-FM stereo.



Joel Librizzi

ABSORBED IN THE FUTURE, 9-year-old Janet Woodin has her palm read by Mary Virginia Magner in Osceola Park's booth at yesterday's carnival held at the First Street Common. The event raised a total of \$1,500.



JUL 21 1973
Balloons

Demand for balloons was brisk at the playground carnival. These customers were lucky. The supply was soon sold out.

12—The Berkshire Eagle, Saturday, July 21, 1973



Clown

One of the attractions at the children's carnival on the Common this week stands ready to be hit in the mouth with wet sponges. Leaders and children from the city's 24 playgrounds staged the big event.

JUL 23 1973

Playground schedule
TUESDAY

- 1:30 Abby Lodge — Bake Sale
- 1:00 Allendale — Create a zoo
- 3:00 Allen Heights — Greaser day
- 1:30 Burbank — Storybook day
- 2:00 Clapp — Trip to the library
- 2:00 Common — Lake day
- 1:30 Crane — Trip to the Dairy Queen
- 2:00 Deming — Horseshoe toss
- 5:00 Dewey — Flying saucers
- 10:30 Egremont — Lake day
- 11:30 Highland — Horseshoe tournament
- 1:30 Lakewood — Lemon-eating contest
- 10:30 Lebanon — Clean up the park
- 1:30 Osceola — Lawn mart
- 11:30 Pitt — Checkmate
- 1:30 Pitt Special — Spaghetti-eating contest
- 11:00 Root — Icecube hold
- 2:00 Springside — Zip-it-up-hour
- 6:30 Wahconah — How many?
- 2:00 West Memorial — Carrom tournament
- 1:30 Williams — Bike decorating
- 3:00 Outer Williams — Watermelon-eating contest
- 11:00 Wilson — Sand castle day

JUL 25 1973

Playground schedule
THURSDAY

- 2:00 Abby Lodge — Swing marathon
- 11:00 Allendale — Pet show
- 6:30 Allen Heights — Bike rodeo
- 10:30 Burbank — Screaming contest
- 10:00 Crane — Backwards day
- 2:30 Deming — Peanut hunt
- 1:30 Dewey — Surprise day
- 2:30 Egremont — Sniff and tell
- 10:30 Highland — Playoffs
- 1:30 Lakewood — Relay races
- 3:30 Lebanon — Bubble gum hunt
- 11:00 Osceola — Hole-in-one contest
- 11:00 Pitt — Touch football game
- 1:30 Pitt Special — Return trip to the library
- 1:30 Root — Dress-up day
- 1:30 Springside — Stuffed-animal contest
- 2:00 Wahconah — Paint-it day
- 2:00 West Memorial — Handball tournament
- 3:00 Williams — Lemon-eating contest
- 2:00 Outer Williams — Talent show
- 6:00 Wilson — Crazy hat show

JUL 28 1973

Playground schedule
MONDAY

- 10:30 Abbey Lodge — Tissue paper flowers
- 10:30 Allen Heights — Dog day
- 3:00 Burbank — Frisbee Toss
- 2:00 Clapp — Pet show
- 10:30 Crane — Bazooka bubble
- Dewey — Backwards day
- 2:00 Deming — King and Queen
- 10:30 Egremont — Bike rodeo
- 11:00 Highland — Lemon-eating contest
- Lakewood — Pick-up-the-park
- 2:45 Osceola — Apple dunking
- 10:00 Pitt — Park beautification
- 2:30 Pitt Special — Circus animals day
- 2:00 Pontoosuc — Bubbles, bubbles
- 2:00 Root — Birthday celebration
- 1:30 Springside — Squeeze the slippery ice cube
- 1:30 Wahconah — Rid litter day
- 6:00 West Memorial — Lollipop lick
- 2:00 Williams — Peanut hunt
- 2:00 Outer Williams — Scavenger hunt
- 10:30 Wilson — Marble race

JUL 30 1973

Playground schedule
Tuesday

- 10:30 Abbey Lodge — Paper-plate faces
- 10:30 Allen Heights — Animal relays
- 10:30 Burbank — Whistling contest
- 11:30 Clapp — Marathon races
- 10:30 Common — Checker tournament
- 2:30 Crane — Braid contest
- 2:00 Dewey — Bubble-blowing contest
- 11:00 Deming — Bake sale
- 2:30 Egremont — Indian contest
- 1:30 Highland — Bike rodeo
- Lakewood — Ecology poster
- 10:30 Osceola — Dance marathon
- 2:00 Pitt — Crazy-kostume parade
- 2:00 Pitt Special — Backwards races
- 1:30 Pontoosuc — Rubbish-ball tournament
- 2:00 Root — Choose your king and queen
- 2:00 Springside — Marshmallow stuff
- 2:00 Wahconah — Trip to the museum
- 10:30 West Memorial — Greaser day
- 2:00 Williams — Peanut hunt
- 3:00 Outer Williams — Jump-rope contest
- 10:30 Wilson — Airplane flying

JUL 24 1973
Playground schedule

Wednesday

- 1:30 Abby Lodge — Bubble gum contest
- Allendale — Lake day
- 2:00 Allen Heights — Movie day
- 10:30 Burbank — Spaghetti eating contest
- 6:30 Crane — Marshmallow-eating contest
- 2:30 Deming — Home-run derby
- 1:30 Dewey — Day on the grid
- 2:30 Egremont — Sound detectives
- 11:00 Highland — Checker tournament 2
- 1:00 Lakewood — Home-run derby
- 11:00 Lebanon — Dog show
- 1:30 Osceola — Bike rodeo
- 1:30 Pitt — Rots-of-pop lick
- 3:00 Pitt Special — Sweets search
- 10:30 Root — Baby-picture contest
- 3:00 Springside — Trip to the Dairy Queen
- 3:00 Wahconah — Peanut hunt
- 10:30 West Memorial — Bike rodeo
- 1:30 Williams — Checker tournament
- 11:00 Outer Williams — Clean-up your park
- 6:00 Wilson — Softball throw

JUL 26 1973

Playground schedule
Friday

- 10:30 Abby Lodge — Blown painting
- 2:00 Allendale — Finger puppet show
- 3:30 Allen Heights — Peanut race
- 2:00 Burbank — Kick ball tournament
- 1:00 Clapp — Trip to Onota Lake
- 10:30 Crane — Bike rodeo
- 3:00 Deming — Freckle contest
- 1:30 Dewey — Carom tournament
- 11:00 Egremont — Smorgasbord lunch
- 1:30 Highland — Lake day
- 1:30 Lakewood — Indian day
- 1:00 Lebanon — Frisbee tournament
- 3:00 Osceola — Stuffed-animal show
- 2:00 Pitt — Limbo
- 1:30 Pitt Special — Park picnic
- 2:30 Root — Trip to the Dairy Queen
- 2:00 Springside — Volleyball tournament
- 12:30 Wahconah — Zoo day
- 2:00 West Memorial — Tasting contest
- 2:30 Outer Williams — Lollipop-licking contest
- 3:30 Wilson — Lemon-eating

JUL 31 1973
Playground schedule
WEDNESDAY

- 1:00 Abby Lodge — Make your own mobile
- 1:30 Allen Heights — Cat dancing
- 1:30 Burbank — Pirate Day
- 1:00 Clapp — Baby picture contest
- 1:00 Common — Picnic
- 1:00 Crane — Park director picture
- 1:15 Deming — Carom tournament
- 1:00 Dewey — Mixed volleyball tournament
- 1:30 Egremont — Indian olympics
- 1:00 Highland — Dress-up opposite
- Lakewood — Lakewood garden
- 1:30 Osceola — Everybody's birthday
- 2:30 Pitt — Apple vinegar Bob
- 3:00 Pitt Special — Balloon breaking
- 1:30 Pontoosuc — Ecology Now!
- 1:30 Root — Mexico Day
- 3:00 Springside — Peanut relay
- 2:00 Wahconah — Find the goodies
- 2:00 West Memorial — Greaser Day
- 3:00 Outer Williams — Bike hike
- 7:00 Wilson — Teepee ball

AUG 1 1973
College group
to stage plays
in city parks

The Patchwork Players, a group of 10 students from Lewis College in Locport, Ill., will perform free theatre at Pitt Playground and at the Common Saturday.

The afternoon and evening programs are being sponsored by Action for Opportunity (AFO), the city antipoverty agency, and the Parks Department.

AFO Director Willard H. Durant gave the following performance schedule:

—“Patriots a la Mode,” a children’s comedy about Daniel Webster, Ethan Allen and Benjamin Franklin, will be performed at the Common at 1:30 and at Pitt Playground at 6 p.m.

—Aged, Smoked but not Cured,” a play for adults, in which Nathan Hale returns to the modern-day United States in an effort to straighten out the country, will be performed at the Common at 2:45 and at Pitt at 7:15.

Durant said the students and their director will stay in Pittsfield State Forest and present the plays at no cost to the city.

He said the students are all majoring in drama.

The director, Jerome Hanson, has taken similar groups to Alaska, Appalachia and the Deep South, Durant said.

AUG 1 1973
Playground schedule

- Thursday
- 10:30 Abby Lodge—Nature design
 - 6:30 Allen Heights—Ecology hunt
 - 1:30 Burbank—Commercial day
 - 2:30 Clapp—Sand castle
 - 10:30 Crane—King and queen pageant
 - 3:00 Deming—Lemon-eating
 - 1:30 Dewey—Lollipop licking contest
 - 3:00 Egremont—Indian powwow
 - 2:00 Highland—Braided-hair contest
 - Lakewood—Ecology bike hike
 - 11:00 Pitt—Three-legged race
 - 2:00 Pitt Special—Mexican festival
 - 11:00 Pontoosuc—Pick the couple
 - 5:30 Root—Cookout
 - 3:00 Springside—Wire maze
 - 2:00 Wahconah—Tag day
 - 2:00 West Memorial—Limbo contest
 - 1:30 Williams—Tug of war
 - 1:30 Outer Williams—Checker tournament
 - 10:30 Wilson—antilitter day

City Hall brief

Residents of the Lebanon Avenue area have petitioned for the enlargement of the Lebanon Avenue playground to accommodate older children’s activities. The petition will come before the Council at its Aug. 14 meeting.

AUG 2 1973

Playground schedule

- Friday
- 10:30 Abby Lodge—Leaf-print designs
 - 2:30 Allen Heights—Animal tales
 - 2:00 Burbank—King and queen
 - 2:00 Clapp—What’s in the package
 - 3:00 Crane—Balloon-blowing contest
 - 10:00 Deming—Volleyball tournament
 - Dewey—Odd day
 - Egremont—Cowboys and Indians
 - 1:30 Highland—Lake day
 - Lakewood—Lakewood rock garden
 - 2:00 Osceola—Sack races
 - 2:00 Pitt—Pie-eating contest
 - 11:00 Pitt Special—Rainbow colors
 - 1:30 Pontoosuc—Lake day
 - Root—Balloon day
 - 1:30 Springside—Popcorn and Kool-Aid sale
 - 1:30 Wahconah—Christmas in July
 - 4:00 West Memorial—How many?
 - 1:30 Williams—Sack race
 - 1:30 Outer Williams—Grub day
 - 12:00 Wilson—Box-lunch day

AUG 2 1973



Joel Librizzi

Rained out

Thursday’s rain washed out Pittsfield’s playground program, leaving this lonesome scene at the Common on First Street.

Contract let
for fence
along tracks

A West Springfield company has been awarded a \$1,895 contract to build fencing along the northern end of the First Street Common next to the railroad tracks.

Neighbors in the area have asked for the fencing to keep children from climbing down near the tracks. The sole bidder for the job was the Guthrie Fence Co. of West Springfield, according to Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert.

Hebert said the chain-link fence will be 6 feet high and will stretch for 462 feet. Work will begin after Aug. 20, he said, when the Common playground closes.

A 13-year-old boy, Timothy Schilling, lost part of his leg in an accident with a train May 15 behind Crescent Creamery on South Onota Street.

AUG 3 1973

AUG 6 1973
Playground schedule

- TUESDAY
- 10:30 Abby Lodge—Carom tournament
 - 1:30 and 2:30 Allendale—Doll, truck and car show
 - 10:30 Allen Heights—Toss a Frisbee
 - 3:00 Burbank—Jump-rope contest
 - 2:15 Clapp—Checker tourney
 - 11:00 Crane—Licorice chew
 - 2:00 Dewey—Swinging marathon
 - 6:30 Egremont—Greaser night back by demand
 - 1:30 Highland—Bird songs
 - 2:30 Lakewood—Scavenger hunt
 - 1:30 Lebanon—King and queen day
 - 2:00 Osceola—Coronation and celebration
 - 3:00 Pitt—Junior Olympics
 - 2:00 Pitt Special—Crazy races
 - 11:00 Pontoosuc—Create a circus
 - 3:15 Springside—Softball throw
 - 2:00 Wahconah—Olympic Jamboree
 - 1:30 Williams—Scavenger hunt
 - 5:00 Wilson—Picnic supper

Playground schedule

- 10:30 Abby Lodge—Ecology day
- 6:30 Allendale—Mini-Olympic night
- 6:30 Allen Heights—Tie-dye
- 3:30 Burbank—Give a hoot, don’t pollute day
- 1:30 Clapp—All-park picnic
- Common—Park picnic at Onota Lake
- 1:30 Crane—Checker tournament
- 6:00 Dewey—Marshmallow toast
- 2:00 Egremont—Crazy shoes and crazy hairdos
- 11:00 Highland—Animal footprints
- 1:30 Lakewood—Horseshoe tournament
- 12:30 Lebanon—Bike hike to MacDonald’s
- Osceola—Osceola excursion
- Pitt—Park picnic at the State Forest
- Pitt Special—Park picnic
- Pontoosuc—Roast and toast
- 1:45 Springside—Pie-eating contest
- 6:30 Wahconah—Wahconah bowl
- West Memorial—Park picnic
- 3:00 Williams—Carrom tournament
- 1:30 Wilson—Peanut hunt

AUG 8 1973

AUG 9 1973
Playground schedule

- Friday
- Abby Lodge—Party at the lake
 - 1:00 Allendale—Theatre day
 - 2:15 Allen Heights—Dress-up day
 - 12:00 Burbank—Park party day
 - 2:00 Clapp—Marshmallow stuffing
 - 1:30 Crane—Lake day
 - 2:00 Dewey—Sack races
 - 10:30 Egremont—Backwards morning
 - 1:30 Highland—Lake day
 - 1:30 Lakewood—State forest day
 - 2:00 Lebanon—Mexican fiesta
 - Osceola—Ecology day
 - 1:30 Pitt—Braid day
 - 11:00 Pitt Special—fishing
 - 1:00 Springside—Scavenger hunt
 - 2:30 Wahconah—Iggy hung
 - 2:00 West Memorial—Favorite stories
 - 10:30 Wilson—Scavenger hunt

AUG 9 1973



Paul Rocheleau

BEAMING ROYALLY after being crowned king and queen of the city's parks last night, Philip Daoust, left, and Lisa Battaglini, both of Root Park, sport their new crowns before a crowd of 250 at North Junior High. They will reign for one year.

Crowning ceremony held for playground royalty

Philip Daoust and Lisa Battaglini of Root Park were crowned king and queen of the city's playgrounds last night before a crowd of 250 in the North Junior High School auditorium.

Philip, 6, and Lisa, 4½, received the crowns from last year's winners, Pasquale Morabito and Jamie Murphy.

Philip, who attends Dawes School, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip N. Daoust Jr. of 7 Cooper Pkwy. When asked last night what he wanted to be when he grows up, he said a doctor. For his own wish, he said he wants a horse.

Lisa, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul A. Battaglini of 58 Waverly St., said she wants to be a mother when she grows up. She wished for a pearl necklace and said she felt more like Snow White than a queen. She

will attend nursery school in the fall. The questions were asked of the youngsters in interviews before judges chose winners in the king-and-queen pageant.

18—The Berkshire Eagle, Wednesday, Aug. 8, 1973

Playground king, queen will be chosen tonight

The 28th annual king and queen pageant of the Department of Parks and Recreation will be held tonight at 7 in the North Junior High auditorium.

Master of ceremonies for the pageant will be R. Bruce Robertson. The judges will be Paul A. Nelson, Mrs. Michael H. L. Lefkowitz and Miss Kathleen R. O'Donnell.

Each playground has chosen a king and queen to represent its park at the citywide pageant. Last year's king and queen were Egremont's Pasquale Morabito and Jamie Murphy.

This year's playground representatives are:

Abby Lodge — Edward Prew and Shirley Coons.
Allen Heights — Ronald Munger and Shobbeon Brophy.
Allendale — Kevin Marship and Karen Connolly.
Burbank — Mark Kuler and Mary Jo O'Connor.
Common — Richard Vickery and Cheryl Kuklewicz.
Clapp — Danny Bump and Kathy Donovan.
Crane — Anthony Scelsi and Patricia Garrity.
Deming — Brian Yerrick and Doris Jean Bean.
Dewey — Timothy Austin and Christon Williamson.
Egremont — Michael Leite and Joan Keegan.
Highland — Robert Kudlate and Margaret McMahon.
Highland Special — Brian Gatien and Carol Hanna.
Lakewood — Jeffrey Yon and Jamie Albiser.
Lebanon — Robert Goodno and Gina Rapkowitz.
Osceola — Edmond Ferrier and Lisa Procopio.
Pitt — Bret Logan and Demetria Quinn.
Pontoosuc — Mark Panetti and Lisa Robinson.
Root — Philip Daoust and Lisa Battaglini.
Springside — Patrick Carrigan and Jean Desjardins.

Wahconah — Andrew Perkins and Jacqueline Provenzano.
West Memorial — Perry Prendergast and Brenda Shook.
Williams — Paul Lester and Donna Lester.
Outer Williams — Joseph Cantarella and Kate Wehry.
Wilson — Joseph Leskovitz and Kimberly Rollo.

AUG 14 1973 Playground schedule

3:00 Abby Lodge—Four-Leaf Clover hunt
10:30 Allendale—Do Your Favorite Things
2:00 Allen Heights—Riddle hour
10:30 Burbank—Coloring contest
10:00 Common—Fun day
2:30 Crane—Cavity-counting contest
10:30 Deming—Ventriloquist contest
1:30 Dewey—Pie-eating contest
10:30 Egremont—Seesaw balancing contest
3:00 Lakewood—Picnic
1:00 Lebanon—Guessing day
1:30 Osceola—Hike
10:30 Pitt—Bike rodeo
11:30 Pitt Special—Pet show
10:30 Springside—Balloon throwing contest
10:30 West Memorial—Popcorn and Kool-Ade sale
10:30 Williams—Bubble gum contest
10:00 Wilson—Quiet day

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Picnic to climax park program

A picnic at Pontoosuc Lake tomorrow noon will mark the end of the Department of Parks and Recreation's summer playground program.

Children planning to attend should bring box lunches and permission slips, a spokesman said. Parents able to provide transportation to the lake were asked to contact the Park Department.

Lassies' playoff Monday

Playoffs for the championship of the Pittsfield Amateur Softball Association Youth Lassie League are scheduled to begin Monday evening at 6 at North Junior High.

The two top clubs in the six-team league for girls will play a best-of-three games series for the pennant, beginning with a doubleheader Monday. The third game, if necessary, will be played Wednesday.

The rosters for the two teams are as follows:

Team 4 — Linda Altman, Moira Brophy, Roberta Crennan, Laurie Biagini, Julie Ellis, Cindy Bowler, Carleen Gable, Linda Hall, Darcie Hunt, Charlene Homa, Wendy Lusignan, Sue Prindle and Terry Orcutt.

Team 3 — Cathy Hall, Sheryl Gromacki, Lynne Greenleaf, Jamie Kelly, Patty Bruce, Kelly Brown, Terri Cadella, Dyanne Hunt, Joan Driscoll, Cathy Carlo, Ann Ellis, Sandy Snyder, Karen McHugh, Sheila Daley, Kelly Breault and Amy Mesnig.

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Park kids' musical is Wednesday

The Department of Parks and Recreation's music and dance show will be held Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Pittsfield High School auditorium.

This year's musical selections will be from some of Broadway's hits such as "Hello Dolly," "West Side Story," "Godspell" and "Fiddler on the Roof." The area playground children will be the entertainers for the evening.

The public is invited at no charge. AUG 13 1973

Playground schedule

Monday

10:30 Abby Lodge — horseshoe tournament
10:30 Allendale — talent hour
6:00 Allen Heights — pizza party
10:30 Burbank — relay day
10:30 Common — king and queen day
11:00 Crane — baby picture contest
1:30 Deming — scavenger hunt
1:30 Dewey — everybody's birthday
6:30 Egremont — United Nation's nite
2:00 Highland — collages
6:15 Lakewood — family night
5:30 Lebanon — park picnic and dance
3:00 Osceola — band stand
1:30 Pitt — basketball tourney
6:00 Pitt Special — jump rope contest
11:00 Wahconah — miniature golf and picnic
10:30 West Memorial — hole in the mouth
3:00 Springside — watermelon contest
11:30 Wilson — storytelling

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Playground schedule

Tuesday

2:00 Abby Lodge — Bike races
10:30 Allendale — Track meet
10:30 Allen Heights — Balloon blast
10:30 Burbank — Kick-ball tournament
10:00 Common — Nature hunt
5:00 Crane — Second annual bah-hah
2:00 Deming — Bike rodeo
6:00 Dewey — Candy hunt
6:30 Egremont — Roaring twenties time
11:00 Highland — Mask creations
10:30 Lakewood — Peanut hunt
6:30 Lebanon — Sing-a-long
2:00 Osceola — Jump-rope contest
2:00 Pitt — Punt, pass and kick
11:00 Pitt Special — Mini-Olympics
6:00 Springside — Hunt and chew
8:00 Wahconah — Drive-IN-NIGHT
West Memorial — Revenge day
2:00 Williams — Glider contest
6:30 Wilson — Spelling bee

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Joel Librizzi

'ON WITH THE SHOW' is the theme of tomorrow night's music and dance show to be presented by children from the city's playgrounds. Here is a rehearsal of the "Hello, Dolly" sequence, with Terry Donovan, front row center, taking the part of Dolly. The annual event is scheduled for 7 p.m. at Pittsfield High School.

Girls' softball

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Recently, I had the pleasure of umpiring at the playoffs of the Parks Department's youth (girls) softball tournament.

I wish to congratulate these young ladies for their performance and playing ability. The girls are coached by the members of the women's softball team of Pittsfield.

The women started the youth league this year with no outside support. They manage and coach each of the six teams. I was informed by one proud parent that at the beginning of the season "My daughter couldn't even field a batted ball." Not only do all the girls field the ball now, but they know which base to throw the ball to and all the basics of softball. Their performance in the playoffs was proof of their ability.

This year there were only six teams. The coach informed me that next year they hope to have 12.

My hat is off to the youth softball league of Pittsfield and to the coaches. If, in years to come, Pittsfield is represented at the national level, it will be due to the efforts of the members of the women's softball team of Pittsfield.

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Playground equipment is installed

The School Department this week began a program of installing playground equipment at all schools that don't have gymnasiums.

The shortage of playground equipment at elementary schools has been an annoyance to teachers, parents and children for years.

Last year, three different playground units were erected at three schools. After a four-week trial period, says Asst. Supt. Leon L. Siegel, sets for the remaining nine schools will be purchased and installed.

Set up last week was a merry-go-round at Redfield, three-way ladder at Dawes and a rocket climber at Russell. The trial period is for determining which equipment is most popular and works out the best, Siegel explained.

The equipment, selected by physical education coordinator Edwin R. Grady Jr., costs about \$200 a set, according to Siegel. A total of \$2,200 has been budgeted for equipping the 11 elementary schools that do not have gymnasiums, he said.

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Joel Librizzi

PUPILS DECORATE Christmas tree for the West Side neighborhood on the Pitt Playground. Youngsters from Tucker, Bartlett and Briggs schools made the ornaments and colored them with fluorescent paint for maximum visibility at night.

JAN 8 1973
Adult skating lessons
will start Jan. 18

The Department of Parks and Recreation has announced it will conduct a second series of adult skating lessons Thursday mornings from 10 to noon at the Boys' Club indoor rink.

The series will begin Jan. 18 and will run through March 29. Cost for the 10-week program will be \$30, payable at the first lesson.

The series will be taught by Patrick Dean, local skating professional, and will consist of approximately one-half hour for lessons and 1½ hours for practice time. Enrollees will be assigned to classes with persons of similar skating ability.

Persons wishing additional information or wishing to register for the series may contact the Department of Parks and Recreation, according to the announcement.

JAN 17 1973
Openings reported
in sports programs

The Department of Parks and Recreation announced today that there are openings in both the adult skating and women's volleyball programs.

Both programs will begin tomorrow. The skating lessons will be given at the Boys' Club on Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 12, and the volleyball classes will be held at North Junior High School Thursdays from 7 to 9 p.m.

Persons interested in registering for either program may contact the Park Department.

OCT 19 1973
Skate lessons
are offered
for adults

The Department of Parks and Recreation has announced it will again sponsor a series of adult skating lessons Thursday mornings from 10 to noon at the Boys' Club indoor rink.

The lessons will be conducted in two sessions, the first of which will begin next Thursday and will run through Jan. 10, excluding Thanksgiving and Dec. 27. The second will begin Jan. 17 and run through March 28.

Each lesson will be of approximately a half-hour in duration, followed by 1½ hours of practice time.

All skaters will be placed in classes with persons of similar ability. Beginners through advanced skaters are invited to participate in this program, which will cover the basics of skating and figure skating through the various levels of dances. Instructor will be Patrick Dean, local professional.

The lessons are open to residents of Pittsfield and neighboring towns. There will be a charge to cover the use of the ice and instruction. Persons wishing to register may contact the Park Department.

Bousquet may build
skating, hockey rink

By Mike Meserole

A new indoor skating and hockey rink is being seriously considered for construction this fall at the Bousquet ski area.

The property for the new facility, which is planned for the north side of Tamarack Road on Bousquet area will be given by the Otter Development Corp., which owns the ski area and the rink will be financed by local interests in the community.

The rink will bring the number of artificial ice surfaces in Berkshire County to six, joining the existing facilities in North Adams, Williams College, Wilde Sports Center in Lenox, Berkshire School and the Pittsfield Boys' Club.

'No pipe dream'

"This is certainly no pipe dream," says area president Paul Bousquet. "A lot of work has been done on drawing up the plans over the past year, and now we just have to wait for the Zoning Board's okay to start building."

Public notification of the plan to construct the rink was given last night at the bimonthly meeting of the Planning Board, but the plans probably won't be presented to the Zoning Board of Appeals until Sept. 12.

Both the Planning and Zoning boards have been supplied with the blueprints for the skating complex, which will include a rink, seating capacity for 1,200, four hockey team locker rooms, a girls locker room, a Zamboni resurfacing machine and

maintenance garage, and a foyer for off-ice activity. The building will measure approximately 150 by 240 feet.

Crowded conditions were experienced during the winter at the Boys' Club with more than 600 hockey players and countless other figure-and free-time skaters. Local hockey officials believe the rink will greatly reduce the need for early morning practices and give area kids more of a chance to skate. Another asset of the rink complex will be its availability during the summer months when the ice can be used for industrial hockey leagues and an instructional hockey school.

According to Atty. John F. Shea, who in the words of Paul Bousquet is "spearheading the project," there is a great deal of support in the city for the rink and he foresees no real opposition to its construction.

"But if we don't get going by the end of September," Shea says, "I don't know how we can hope for a December first opening."

The obstacles in the way of early completion are mostly legal. It is necessary to first go through public hearings and obtain building permits before starting the project. High interest rates and a lack of money also pose a problem, but Shea feels that interested people in the city who are concerned about the lack of ice for skating will rally to the project's aid.

Neither Shea nor Bousquet anticipates any trouble in gaining the Zoning Board's approval.

DEC 8 1973
Learn-to-skate
program set
for children

The Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that it will once again conduct a learn-to-skate program for Pittsfield children during the Christmas vacation.

The series, open to boys and girls aged 7 to 15, will take place Wednesday through Friday, December 26-28, and Monday, Dec. 31, from 9 to 10 a.m. at the Boys' Club indoor Rink. Instructors will be Patrick Dean and Wynn Miller, area skating professionals.

Children will be placed in classes according to age and skating ability. They will have a one half-hour lesson each morning and a half-hour of practice time.

Carnival event

Everyone will have the opportunity to participate in the beginner skaters' games, part of the 29th annual winter carnival, sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Park Department. The event, which will be conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Franz, will give youngsters a chance to perform in the first three United States Figure Skating Association basic tests. The games will be conducted during the last days of the program.

Registration for the learn-to-skate program will take place Tuesday at 7 p.m. at Springside House. No telephone registrations will be accepted Tuesday, but if there are vacancies remaining, calls will be taken Wednesday. The limit is 100 children.

OCT 26 City note

—The Department of Parks and Recreation said today that vacancies still exist in the Thursday morning adult skating program at the Boys' Club indoor rink. The series of 10 two-hour lessons is scheduled to get under way tomorrow at 10 a.m. and will run through Jan. 10. Course instructor is Patrick Dean, a local skating professional. Person wishing to register may contact the Park Department or go to the rink tomorrow.

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Registration set for 2nd series at Bousquet

The Department of Parks and Recreation announced today that registration for the advanced ski lesson series at the Bousquet Ski Area will begin Saturday at 9 a.m.

Registration rules set by the Park Department are:

—No child who participated in the first series is eligible.

—Classes will be limited to the first 100 children who register.

—Only Pittsfield residents between the ages of 8 and 15 are eligible.

—No registrations will be taken over the phone.

—The \$1.50 fee must be paid at the time of registration.

—Parents may register only their own children.

Registration will be at the Girls Club at 165 East St. The Park Department has asked persons registering to use the main entrance on East Street.

The five-lesson series will start Saturday, Jan. 21, at 8:30. The beginning series, which has 150 participants, will be completed Saturday.

DEC 5 1973

Registration for ski lessons is extended

Registration for the adult learn-to-ski program has been extended, it was announced today by the Department of Parks and Recreation, which sponsors the instruction at Bousquet's. There still are some openings, and registration will take place tomorrow and Friday evenings from 7:30 to 8:30 at Springside House.

Court McDermott, Bousquet ski school director, will be present to answer questions.

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Registration set for Park Dept. adult ski lessons

The Department of Parks and Recreation adult ski registration will be held on Saturday at the Bousquet Ski Area from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lessons will be given on Tuesday, through Friday evenings at the Bousquet Ski Area under the direction of Court McDermott, ski school director. McDermott will be at the registration session to answer all questions regarding the program.

NOV 27 1973

Registration for Parks ski lessons Saturday

Registration for the children's learn-to-ski program of the Department of Parks and Recreation will be held Saturday morning at 9 at the Girls Club on East Street.

In announcing the registration date, the department said that, because of the strong interest shown in the program, the first 150 children to sign up will be taken. Children must be at least 8 years of age and not over 16 and must reside in Pittsfield. No registrations will be taken over the phone. The \$7.50 fee must be paid at the time of registration. Parents may register their own children.

The series of five lessons will start on Saturday, Dec. 15, at 8:30 a.m., weather permitting. The first series will be for beginners only, that is children who have not received lessons in the past.

Court McDermott, Bousquet ski school director, will have charge of the program, which will be conducted at the Bousquet ski school area.

CORRECTION

The registration fee for the Park Department ski lessons for children is \$1.50, not \$7.50 as was printed in last night's Berkshire Eagle through a typographical error.

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JUN 1 2 1973
**Registration
for summer
soccer set**

Registration for the 1973 Summer Soccer League will be held from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday and next Monday and Tuesday at Springside House, 874 North St. There will be no registration after these dates, according to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The league begins June 25 and will run for seven weeks. Games for men from high school through college age will be played at 6:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Games for younger boys will be played Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at 2.

JUN 2 2 1973
**Soccer loop
announces
rosters**

**League opens
Monday afternoon
at Brattlebrook**

The summer soccer league opens Monday at Brattlebrook farm, located at the end of Birch Grove Drive off Elm Street, with the Reds taking on the Blues.

Players driving to the games are asked by the Park Department to drive slowly in the area and not to park cars on the grass of the soccer field.

The team rosters for the summer season are as follows:

Red Team — James Schmerhorn, Francisco Girona, Paul Morgan, Matthew Giardino, John Lyon, James Vandergrift, James Greer, John Clark, Richard Bacon, William Roberts, Steven Casucci, Thomas Zarvio, Berry Penna, Thomas Finn.

Blue Team — Richard Sinopoli, Robert Magee, Jay Magee, Robert Morgan, Larry Hynes, John Cronin, Michael Tyler, Michael Lefkowitz, Gordon Terwilliger, Daniel Pietrowski, Michael Collins, Richard Monti, John Chetkowski, Mark Gingers, Maurice Crawford.

Green Team — Eric Anderson, Patrick McInerney, Jeffery LeBlanc, Shaun Keegan, Brian Litscher, George Garivaltis, Daniel Denery, William Allen, Richard Harrington, Chris Huban, Andrew MacGruer, Bradford Mosher, Peter Gavino, Richard Rush, Brian Flood.

Yellow Team — Ron Plumb, Joe Racicot, John Valenti, Timothy Nary, Allen Asher, Gregory Bailey, Keith Eksuzian, Daniel Peizku, Peter Larkin, Bucky Werthen, Tracey Goodrich, Len Cleary, John Manners, Patrick Larkin, John Cronin, Mark Caprio.

White Team — John Johnson, Don Harrington, William Lyon, John Jones, James Robinson, Mark Scchetti, Charles Palano, Michael McNeil, Gregory Keen, Mark Klemmerer, Gary Harrington, Edward Smith, Whitey Vanasse, Dennis Duquette, Stephen Leon, Mark Peronto.

**Soccer league
sets schedule**

The season for the summer soccer league sponsored by the Park Department opens Monday with the Reds playing the Blues at Brattlebrook Field. The entire schedule is as follows:

June 25, Red-Blue; 26, White-Green; 27, Red-Yellow; 28, Blue-White.

July 2, Green-Yellow; 3, Red-White; 5, Blue-Green; 9, White-Yellow; 10, Red-Green; 11, Blue-Yellow; 12, Red-Blue; 16, White-Green; 17, Red-Yellow; 19, Blue-White; 23, Green-Yellow; 24, Red-White; 25, Blue-Green; 26, White-Yellow; 30, Red-Green; 31, Blue-Yellow.

Aug. 1, Red-Blue; 2, White-Green; 6, Red-Yellow; 7, Blue-White; 8, Green-Yellow.

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Summer Soccer

Players strive to control the ball in a Pittsfield Park Department summer soccer league game between the green and yellow teams. Games are being played on new field at Brattlebrook Farm.

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Former Farm

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Silos in the distance are a reminder that games in the park department's summer soccer league are being played on the same field where cows once roamed at Brattlebrook Farm.

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**Soccer club,
All-Stars
slate match**

The Park Department College All-Star soccer team and the Berkshire International Soccer Club of Pittsfield will meet at 2 p.m. tomorrow at Brattlebrook Field in a benefit game to help finance the club's expenses this coming season.

The Berkshire Club also will be involved in a benefit game Sept 2 with a new team from the Great Barrington-Sheffield area which has just joined the league, and is hoping to finance its season expenses.



Parks skaters begin '73 season in Saratoga, N.Y.

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will begin the 1973 outdoor speed skating season this weekend by participating in the 41st Annual Eastern States Outdoor Speed Skating Championships in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. This is the 28th year for the Pittsfield club. It was organized in 1945 by former Park Supt. Jackson J. Perry.

The races will start today and tomorrow at 1 p.m. at Recreation Field. The event is sponsored by the Saratoga Springs Chamber of Commerce under auspices of the Saratoga Winter Club and is sanctioned by the Northern New York Skating Association.

Local club members participating are Joanne Farry, intermediate girl; Kathy Brown, pee wee girl; Bruce Flocken, junior boy; Kurt Hospot and Dan Miraglia, juvenile boys; Jim Brown and John Miraglia, pony boys, and Senior man George Betti.

JAN 13 1973

City's skaters enter N.Y. meet

LAKE PLACID, N.Y.—This city will be the site of the Diamond Trophy Outdoor Speed Skating Championships today and tomorrow. Races will be held at Olympic Stadium starting at 1 p.m. each day.

Six members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club are scheduled to participate. They are: Joanne Farry, intermediate girl; John Miraglia, pony boy; Dan Miraglia, juvenile boy; Bruce Flocken, junior boy; and George Betti and David Izzo, senior men.

The meet is sanctioned by the Northern New York Skating Association and the Amateur Skating Union of the United States and conducted under the auspices of the Lake Placid Speed Skating Club, North Elba Park District and the Lake Placid Sports Council.

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PPSSC's Joanne Farry wins class championship

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Intermediate girl Joanne Farry won her class championship over the weekend at the Eastern States outdoor speed-skating championships at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. She had firsts in the 330- and 440-yard events, a second in the 880 and a third in the three-quarter mile.

Pony boy John Miraglia won the 220, had a second in the 110, a third in the 330 and a fourth in the 440. Jimmy Brown, also a pony boy, had a second in the 220, thirds in the 110 and 440 and a fourth in the 330. Junior boy Bruce Flocken had thirds in the three-quarter mile and one mile and a fourth in the 330.

For Juvenile boys, Kurt Hospot had a third in the three-quarter mile and Dan Miraglia had a fourth in the 440.

All are members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club. One-hundred eighty skaters participated in the second-day meet with excellent ice conditions.

Next weekend the local club will take part in the Berkshire Hills outdoor speed-skating championships in Pittsfield.

Local skaters win points

Field of 228 race in Diamond Trophy event

Intermediate girl Joanne Farry, pony boy John Miraglia and juvenile boy Dan Miraglia of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club won points in the Diamond Trophy outdoor championships run over the weekend at Lake Placid, N.Y. A field of 228 skaters from Canada and the United States competed.

Joanne had a second in the mile and a third in the 440-yard event. John Miraglia had seconds in the 220 and 440 and thirds in the 110-yard and 1/6 mile. In consolation races, Dan Miraglia won the 440 and 880 and had a third in the 1/6 mile.

Junior boy Bruce Flocken qualified for four finals but did not score.

The 94 Canadians entered in the two-day meet won eight of the 14 championships.

The temperature never went above zero. Sunday morning it was 29 below.

James Farry of Pittsfield, president of the Northern New York Skating Association, gave the welcoming address. Serving as officials at the meet were clerks of course, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Ryan; judge, Carl E. Peaslee, and scorers, Mrs. Mary T. Smith and Mrs. Peaslee.

The local club will participate in the Silver Skates outdoor speed skating championships at Lake George, N.Y., and the New York State indoor championships in Binghamton, N.Y., Saturday and Sunday. On Monday, the five-mile carnival in Brooklyn, N.Y. is slated in the morning and the Middle Atlantic Outdoor will take place at 2 p.m. in Newburgh, N.Y.

Busy weekend ahead for local speed skaters

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Six members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will be participating in the Lake George international silver skates speed skating championships and the Middle Atlantic outdoor speed skating championships this weekend. They are Joanne Farry, intermediate girl; pony boy, John Miraglia; juvenile boy, Dan Miraglia; junior boy, Bruce Flocken; and senior men, George Betti and David Izzo.

The Lake George, N.Y., meet will be today and tomorrow on Lake George with starting time 1 p.m. each day. The meet is sponsored by the Lake George Chamber of Commerce and sanctioned by the Northern New York Skating Association.

The Middle Atlantic meet will be Monday starting at 2 p.m. at Recreation Park, Newburgh, N.Y. The meet is conducted by the Newburgh Lions Club, Inc., with the cooperation of the city of Newburgh and is sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association.

Juvenile boy, Kurt Hospot, has entered the New York State Indoor championships today and tomorrow at Endicott, N.Y. The races will start at 4:30 p.m. today and 2 p.m. on Sunday. The meet is sponsored by the Binghamton Speed Skating Club under the auspices of the Broome County Department of Parks and Recreation and is sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association.

Local skaters take titles

FEB 10 1973

Joanne Farry, John Miraglia best in classes

Pittsfield Parks Speed-Skating Club members won division honors in the Middle Atlantic championships yesterday at Newburgh, N.Y.

Intermediate girl Joanne Farry took the title in her class with first in the 220-, 440- and 880-yard races.

Pony boy John Miraglia took his division crown with wins in the 220, 440 and one-sixth mile events. It was his second championship in two days. He took the title Sunday in the Silver Skates at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Other members of the local club taking points yesterday were Dan Miraglia, who had seconds in the 220, 440 and 880, and Junior boy Bruce Flocken with seconds in the 220, 440 and mile and a third in the 880. Senior man Dave Izzo qualified for the finals in the 440 and 880 but did not place.

The club will enter skaters in the Pittsfield indoor championships Saturday and Sunday at the Wilde Sports Center at Bordentown/Lenox School. Racing will start at 1 p.m. Saturday and 1:30 a.m. Sunday.

Miraglia, Hospot take skate honors

FEB 17 1973

Pittsfield Parks skaters do well in two N.Y. meets

John Miraglia and Kurt Hospot won divisional honors for the Pittsfield Parks Speed-Skating Club over the weekend in separate meets in New York.

Miraglia took the boys' Pony division in the Lake George (N.Y.) International Silver Skates meet with victories in the 110-, 220- and 330-yard races and a second in the 440, while over in Endicott, Hospot was winning the 330-, 440-, 660- and 880-yard races in the boys' Juvenile category in the New York State indoor speed-skating championships.

At Lake George, other members of the Pittsfield Parks team who skated well were: Joanne Farry, who placed second in the 330 and 440 and third in the three-quarter mile races in the Intermediate girls division; Bruce Flocken, first in three-quarter mile and second in the 330-, 440- and 880-yard, Junior boys; Dan Miraglia, second in the 220, 440, 880 and three-quarter mile, Juvenile boys; and Dave Izzo, fourth, Senior Men's mile.

This afternoon the skating club is participating in the Middle Atlantic outdoor championships in Newburgh, N.Y.

Local skaters at Rochester this weekend

Rochester, N.Y., will be the site of the Eastern Seaboard Indoor Speed Skating Championships today and tomorrow at the RIT Rink. Members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club who have entered the meet are intermediate girl, Joanne Farry; pony boy, John Miraglia; juvenile boy, Kurt Hospot; and junior boy, Bruce Flocken.

The meet is sanctioned by the Amateur Skating Union of the United States, Middle Atlantic Skating Association, Northeastern Skating Association, Northern New York Skating Association, Connecticut Skating Association and the Western New York Skating Association and conducted under the auspices of the Rochester Speed Skating Club.

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Miraglia takes Pony championship

MAR 5 1973

Joanne Farry 2nd in class at Rochester

Pony boy John Miraglia of the Pittsfield Parks Speed-Skating Club won his division title in the Eastern Seaboard indoor championships conducted over the weekend at the RIT rink at Rochester, N.Y. Intermediate girl Joanne Farry was edged by Mary Beth Laskey in their division.

Miraglia won the 220- and 330-yard races and was third in the 440. Tim Nagle of Cleveland, Ohio, was second. The Miraglia and Farry races were the most exciting of the meet. Miraglia's two victories were by an eyelash. Joanne was first in the three-quarter mile and second in the 440 and 880.

Junior boy Bruce Flocken of the local club was third in the 440 and juvenile boy Kurt Hospot had fourths in the 220 and 880.

The senior men's title was won by Bill Lanigan of the Bronx, N.Y. He won the first gold medal for the United States in the 500 meter in the men's world championships last month.

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Paul Rocheleau

PITTSFIELD SPEED SKATERS who will compete in the Pittsfield indoor speed skating championships this weekend at the Wilde Sports Center at Lenox are: left to right, front row, Jim Brown, Kathy Brown and Kurt Hospot; back row, Dave Izzo, Bruce Flocken, John Miraglia, Joanne Farry and George Betti. The event is sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation and is a part of the 28th annual winter carnival.

Skaters seek Atlantic title

Joanne Farry leaves for event in Michigan

Three local speed skaters are competing today in the Atlantic Coast indoor championships today at Bridgeport, Conn. The trio, pony boy John Miraglia, junior boy Bruce Flocken, and senior man David Izzo are all members of the Pittsfield Parks speed skating club.

The meeting is being sponsored at 7 p.m. at the Wonderland of Ice by the Greater Bridgeport speed skating club and the Connecticut Skating Association.

The local team will have meets at Yonkers, N.Y., the Bronx, N.Y., and Lake Placid, N.Y. in coming weeks.

Another member, Joanne Farry, who competes in the intermediate division, left yesterday for the North American indoor meet at Wyandotte, Mich. She finished third last week in the National Indoor competition at Hicksville, N.Y.

With her at Wyandotte will be Mrs. Thomas P. Ryan of Lenox who will serve as a clerk of course and assist in the officiating.

MAR 17 1973

Skaters have pair of meets this weekend

Members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will see action in two meets this weekend. Competing today in the Hudson Valley indoor ice skating championships will be senior man, David Izzo, junior boy, Bruce Flocken and pony boy, John Miraglia.

The races, scheduled to start today at 2 p.m., are sponsored by the Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation, city of Yonkers and the Yonkers Skating Club, Inc., and will be held at the Edward J. Murray Memorial Rink, Yonkers, N.Y.

Tomorrow intermediate girl, Joanne Farry, Izzo, Flocken and Miraglia will be competing in the 10th Annual Middle Atlantic indoor speed skating championships at the Riverdale Ice Skating Center, Inc., Bronx, N.Y. This competition is sponsored by the Riverdale Speed Skating Club, Inc., under auspices of the Riverdale Ice Skating Center, Inc. Both meets are sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association, Inc.

Juvenile boy, Kurt Hospot will not see action this week because of an injury suffered last Saturday while competing in Bridgeport, Conn.

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PPSSC has 5 participating in national indoor

Five members of the Pittsfield Parks and Speed-Skating Club will be participating in the 1973 national indoor speed skating championships this weekend at Cantigue Park Skating Rink at Hicksville, L.I.

Approved by the Northern New York Skating Association to compete are intermediate girl Joanne Farry, junior boy Bruce Flocken and juvenile boy Kurt Hospot. Also entered in exhibition races will be pony boys John Miraglia and Jimmy Brown.

In national and North American meets, a skating association is allowed six members in each class. Skaters from throughout the United States will be competing. Meet headquarters will be at the Island Inn, Westbury, L.I.

MAR 12 1973

Joanne Farry third in division in Nationals

Joanne Farry of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club finished second to co-champions Nancy Swider of Illinois and Peggy Hartrick of Missouri in the intermediate girls' division in the weekend National indoor championships at Hicksville, L.I. Joanne was third in the 440 and 880-yard events and in the three-quarter mile.

Juvenile boy Kurt Hospot of the local club took a third in the 880. He qualified for the final but failed to score and points. In exhibition races pony boy John Miraglia was fourth in the 330.

A field of 271 skaters from all over the country competed. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Ryan of Lenox acted as clerks for the course. Carl Peaslee of Pittsfield was a judge and Mrs. Peaslee and Mrs. Mary Smith of Pittsfield were scorers.

MAR 20 1973

Hosspot grabs juvenile boy crown

Juvenile boy Kurt Hospot of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club won the class championship at the Atlantic Coast indoor speed skating meet Saturday in Bridgeport, Conn. He had victories in the 220 and 880 and had a fourth in the 440.

Other members of the Pittsfield club scoring points were pony boy John Miraglia, with a second in the 440 and thirds in the 220 and 330 and junior boy Bruce Flocken with second in the 220.

Joanne Farry, intermediate girl for the local club, failed to score points in the North American indoor speed-skating championship in Wyandotte, Mich. last weekend. She made it through the heats and semifinal in the 440 and three-quarter mile. She was disqualified in the 440 final.

PPSSC's Joanne Farry takes division crown

Intermediate girl Joanne Farry of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club won the division championship at the annual Middle Atlantic Indoor Speed Skating Championship Sunday in the Bronx, N.Y. Joanne won the 440, 880 and one-mile.

Bruce Flocken, skating in the junior class had a third in the three-quarter mile and senior man Dave Izzo had third in the one-mile consolation race.

On Saturday at the Hudson Valley indoor championships in Yonkers, N.Y., pony boy John Miraglia had fourths in the 330 and 440, Flocken a fourth in the 440 and Izzo a third in the three-quarter consolation race.

One hundred sixty-seven skaters participated in both meets with 40 from Canada giving the U.S. skaters a battle. Speed skating in Canada is on the up-swing. One reason is the fact that skaters are subsidized by the Canadian government.

The local club will conclude its season this weekend in the Diamond Trophy Indoor at Lake Placid, N.Y.

APR 3 1973
**PPSSC wins
two titles**

**Joanne Farry,
John Miraglia
division champs**

Intermediate girl Joanne Farry and pony boy John Miraglia of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club won division titles in the Diamond Trophy indoor speed skating championships run over the weekend at Lake Placid, N.Y. The event was the final meet of the season. The Pittsfield club won the Northern New York Skating Association team patch for the club in the association scoring most points.

Joanne took her title by winning the 400-yard, 880-yard and 1/4 mile races and finishing second in the 660. This was her final event as an intermediate. Next year she will skate as a senior woman. Joanne started skating at the age of four as a peewee.

John Miraglia was first in the 220-yard 1/6 mile and second in the 330 and 440 events to annex his final pony crown.

Kurt Hospot, juvenile boy, won the 880, took a second in the 330 and thirds in the 220 and 440 to finish second in his division. Junior boy Bruce Flocken was third in the 660, 880 and 1/4 mile. Also representing the local club was senior man David Izzo.

Winners of the door prize drawing Sunday to benefit the local club were Miss Susan Meaney of Burlington, Mass., a hand knit afghan, and Dick Kellogg of Pittsfield and Mrs. Florence Morris of Lachine, Canada, hand crocketed shrinks.

Local residents serving as officials at Lake Placid, were clerks of course Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Ryan, judge Carl E. Peaslee and scorers Mrs. Mary T. Smith and Mrs. Peaslee.

The Pittsfield club meets Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Spring-side House for election of officers for the coming season.

APR 14 1973
**Ray Hospot
elected to
lead skaters**

Raymond Hospot was elected president of the Pittsfield Parks Speed-Skating Club for the 1973-74 season at a recent meeting. He succeeds Mario Tassinari, who was elected vice president. Hospot has served as chairman of the Winter Sports Committee for the past two years.

Re-elected secretary was Mrs. Russell J. Flocken, and treasurer, Mrs. Carl E. Peaslee.

The local club is planning to conduct dry-training sessions during the summer.

JUN 2 1973
**Parks lists
speed skating
statistics**

Joanne Farry, John Miraglia and Kurt Hospot were the top competitors in this past winter's speed skating activities sponsored by the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club, according to statistics released today.

The club reported that its members scored 472 points and won 18 championships in 1972-73 compared to 334 points and 10 championships the previous season.

Miss Farry, with eight championships, scored a total of 154 points. She was followed by Miraglia, with five championships and 110 points, and Hospot, with five championships and 88 points.

Other point winners were Bruce Flocken, with 61, Dan Miraglia, with 22, Jim Brown, with 19, Kathy Brown, with 9, Joe Miraglia, with 8, and David Izzo, with 1. Dan Miraglia also scored 12 consolation points and Izzo, 4. George Betti also competed for the club.

Miss Farry and John Miraglia were top point scorers in their class in the Northern New York Skating Association, and will be awarded class championship jackets.

The local club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Springside House to make plans to participate in the Firemen's Muster. Club members who cannot attend the meeting but wish to participate should call the Park Department.

**Speed skaters
schedule first
meeting of year**

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will hold its first meeting of the 1973-74 season tomorrow night at 7:30 at Springside House at 874 North St. president Raymond Hospot has announced.

Plans for the season will be discussed, and all club members should attend. Anyone interested in speed skating is welcome. Further information may be obtained at the Park Department office.

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OCT 3 1973
**Mrs. Mary Smith reappointed
NENYSA secretary-treasurer**

Mrs. Mary Smith of Pittsfield was reappointed secretary-treasurer of the North Eastern New York Skating Association at the fall dinner meeting Sunday at Lake Placid, N.Y.

Robert Ahrendsten, association president, announced the high point scorers for last season. High on the Pittsfield Club were intermediate girl Joanne Farry and pony boy John Miraglia. Runners-up were junior boy Bruce Flocken and juvenile boy Kurt Hospot. The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club was awarded an embroidered team-champion emblem for averaging the most points at the Lake Placid indoor meet in April.

The association completed arrangements for its meets next season. Meets for all speed skating associations in the East were reviewed at a meeting of the Eastern Schedule Committee, Sept. 16, at Albany. Mrs. Smith is secretary-treasurer of that committee also.

Other Pittsfield club members attending the Lake Placid meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peaslee and Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Gamwell.

The schedule of meets of interest to skaters in the East in the 1973-74 season are:

Nov. 22, Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot, Prospect Park, New York City.
Dec. 1, Indoor meet, Baltimore Md.; 8-9, Eastern States Indoor - Binghamton, N.Y.; 15, Indoor meet, Simsbury Farms, Conn. (tentative); 16, Indoor meet, Springfield (tentative); 15-16, Sertoma International Indoor, Kitchener, Ont. Canada.

Jan. 5-6, Eastern Seaboard outdoor, Lake Placid, N.Y.; 12-13, Eastern States Outdoor, Saratoga Springs, N.Y.; 19-20, Berkshire Hills Outdoor - Pittsfield; 26-27, Harold Costin Memorial Outdoor Open; 26-27, Olympic style training meet, Newburgh, N.Y.

Feb. 2-3, North American Outdoor, Alpena, Mich.; 2-3, Middle Atlantic Outdoor, Newburgh, N.Y.; 9-10, Diamond Trophy Outdoor, Lake Placid; * Senior Olympics outdoor at Lake Placid; 9-10, Sertoma International Open Outdoor, Kitchener; 16, Indoor at Bridgeport; 18, Washington's Birthday five-mile carnival, Prospect Park, NYC; 23-24, Eastern Seaboard Indoor, Utica, N.Y.

Mar. 2-3, Pittsfield Indoor, Lenox; 9-10, Diamond Trophy Indoor, Lake Placid; 16-17, National Indoor, Chicago, Ill.; 23-24, North American Indoor, Quebec City, Ste. Foy; 30, Hudson Valley Indoor, Yonkers, N.Y.; 31, Middle Atlantic Indoor, Riverdale, Bronx, N.Y.; 30-31, Canadian Indoor, Ottawa;

Apr. 6-7, New York State Indoor, Hicksville, L.I.

* Senior Olympics outdoor is a special event to be held for men and women speed skaters, 25 years of age and older, up to and including those in the 70- to 74-age group. Events will be broken up into age groups 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, etc. This is a new event.

JUN 12 1973

**St. Joseph's High makes
sports awards to seniors**

By Bill Mahan

An estimated 300 people were at the Catholic Youth Center Camp on Cascade Street for the second annual St. Joseph's High senior athletic awards picnic. The event is sponsored by the St. Joseph's High Booster Club.

Special awards highlighted the program. Letters and certificates were presented to all the senior athletes and cheerleaders. They will receive jackets, which did not arrive in time for the picnic.

There were double winners of two of the special awards. Tim Kearns and Pete Drennan were the recipients of the O'Boyle-Greenleaf award for outstanding athletic contributions to the school. The award is given by the class of 1948 in memory of class members James "Speck" O'Boyle and Gerald Greenleaf, who died in the Korean War.

The Kevin Aldam Award, given by his classmates in memory of the 1968 graduate, who was killed in the Vietnam war, was presented to Pete Koscher and Brian Lemieux. The award is given for contributions to the football team. Each also will receive a \$100 scholarship.

John O'Brien received the Lt. Michael Casey Award for outstanding contribution to the football team. The Casey award is given by the class of 1962 in memory of class member Michael Casey, who was killed in Vietnam.

The St. Joe's athletic department award for dedication beyond self to the school's athletic program, went to Mark

Tucker. Tucker was manager of the St. Joe's basketball team and a willing worker in the athletic program in spite of two kidney transplants during his high school career.

The Booster Club presented a plaque to Joanne Farry in recognition of her national ranking as a speed skater. The Booster Club's scholarship of \$100 to a boy and a girl involved in the school's athletic program went to Dave Forrest and Diane Cleary.

Booster Club president John Connolly, athletic director Al Belanger, the Rev. Richard Sniezek, school director, and the coaches participated in the awards presentation.



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RECIPIENTS of special awards at the St. Joseph's High senior athletic awards picnic Sunday at the CYC campsite were, left to right: first row, Pete Drennan, Tim Kearns, Joanne Farry, Diane Cleary and John O'Brien; second row, Tim Connolly, Pete Koscher, Mark Tucker, Dave Forrest and Brian Lemieux. Connolly, the winner of the K. of C.'s Clem St. James scholarship received his award last week.

Registration tomorrow for skating clinic

Registration for the Parks Speed Skating Club's clinic will take place Wednesday evening from 7 to 8 at Springside House.

The clinic will be held Wednesday, Oct. 24, and Saturday, Oct. 27, from 6:45-7:45 p.m. at the Boys' Club indoor rink. Each session will consist of a half-hour lesson and a half-hour practice time. On Saturday there will be fun races for the participants. Following their scheduled ice session, they will see films from the 1970 national indoor speed-skating championships held in Utica, N.Y.

Members of the speed skating club will teach this series. Participating children will not concentrate on the elements of speed skating but will learn the basics of skating. A nominal fee, payable at registration, will be charged.

No phone registrations will be accepted Wednesday, club officials said. If the quota is not filled Wednesday evening, registrations will be taken by phone Thursday. Information may be obtained from the Park Department.

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Practices for skaters

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club last night announced its indoor practice schedule for the season.

Practice at the Boys' Club indoor rink will be held Tuesday evenings from 8:30-9:30, beginning Tuesday.

Practice at Lenox School will be held on Thursday evenings from 8:15 to 9:15, beginning Oct. 25.

Persons interested in speed skating or in becoming members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club are invited to the practices.

The club also announced that vacancies still exist in their two-day skating clinic scheduled for next Wednesday and Saturday, from 6:45-7:45 p.m. at the Boys' Club rink. This clinic is open to children in kindergarten through 6th-grade and will consist of one half-hour lesson and one half-hour practice or fun races. Persons interested in registering their children for this clinic should communicate with the Parks and Recreation Department.

Miss Farry to compete

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club will be represented at the Free State Speed Skating Championship in Baltimore, Md., today by Joanne Farry. Joanne will be skating her first meet in the senior women's class.

The meet, which is sanctioned by the Maryland Speed Skating Association, will start at 1 p.m. in the Civic Center at Baltimore. Joanne, who is a freshman at Berkshire Community College, is the only female member of the local club who has skated in every class.

Joanne Farry has two thirds

Competing in the senior women's division for the first time, Joanne Farry of the Pittsfield Parks Speed-Skating Club finished third in the 440- and 880-yard races at the free state speed skating championship held Saturday in Baltimore, Md.

The next competition for the local club will be this weekend at the Eastern States indoor speed-skating championships in Endicott, N.Y.

DEC 4 1973

Hospot in Eastern States at Endicott, N.Y.

Juvenile boy Kurt Hospot will represent the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club at the Eastern States indoor speed skating championships today and tomorrow at Endicott, N.Y.

The two-day event, which is sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association, Inc., and sponsored by the Binghamton (N.Y.) Speed Skating Club, will be held at Grippen Park. Races will start today at 4:30 p.m. and tomorrow at 1:30.

DEC 8 1973

Hospot has 2nd, three thirds in Eastern States

Kurt Hospot, Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club member competing in the juvenile boys' class in the Eastern States Indoor speed skating championships last weekend at Endicott, N.Y., had a second in the 660 and third in the 330, 440 and 880.

The local club will be idle from competition until January 5-6 when the Eastern Seaboard Outdoor will be held in Lake Placid, N.Y.

Raymond Hospot, president of the local club, has announced that Alex Goguen will be head coach of the club this season and will be assisted by James "Mouse" Brown.

The local club has several new members this season as a result of the learn-to-skate clinic which was held in October. Interested youngsters may obtain more information from the Department of Parks and Recreation office.

MAR 21 1973

Rangers oppose West Haven in home opener April 22

By ROGER O'GARA

Starting their fourth season here as a farm club of the Washington-Texas baseball organization, the Pittsfield Rangers will open their home season at Wahconah Park on Sunday afternoon, April 22 at 2. It will be an American division game. West Haven is defending champion of the Double A circuit. Pittsfield will begin its league slate at West Haven on Satur-

day, April 21. The Rangers and the Yankees also are listed for a game at West Haven on Monday night, April 23. The Rangers are tabbed for seven home dates in April. Bristol will be here April 24, 25 and 26, with Three Rivers coming in April 27, 28 and 29. They will be away on two of the three holidays during the season. They are set for appearances at Waterbury on May 30, Memorial Day, and at Three Rivers on July 4. They will go against West Haven in the season finale on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3. Three home doubleheaders are slated. The Rangers will meet Bristol on June 8, Reading on June 17, and Sherbrooke on July 27. Sixty-six openings are scheduled. There'll be 13 in May, 19 in June, 12 in July, 13 in August and 2 in September. The schedule:

	AT READING	AT WATERBURY	AT BRISTOL	AT WEST HAVEN	AT PITTSFIELD	AT SHERBROOKE	AT TROIS RIVIERES	AT QUEBEC CITY
READING		May 15, 16, 17 July 16, 17, 18, 19 Sept. 1, 2, 3	May 18, 19(2), 20 July 4, 5, 6 Aug. 20, 21, 22	May 28, 29, 30, 31 July 13, 14, 15 Aug. 29, 30, 31	May 9, 10, 11 June 24, 25, 26 Aug. 10, 11, 12(2)	April 30(2) May 1, 2 June 15, 16, 17(2) July 25, 26	April 24, 25, 26 June 8, 9, 10 July 30, 31 Aug. 1, 2	April 27, 28, 29 June 11, 12, 13, 14 July 27, 28, 29
WATERBURY	June 1, 2, 3 June 30 July 1, 2, 3 Aug. 17, 18, 19		May 12, 13, 14 June 27, 28, 29 Aug. 6, 7, 8, 9	May 25, 26, 27(2) July 10, 11, 12 Aug. 26, 27, 28	May 21, 22, 23, 24 July 7, 8, 9 Aug. 23, 24, 25	April 28, 29 June 11, 12, 13, 14 July 20, 21(2), 22	May 3, 4, 5 June 18, 19, 20 July 27(2), 28, 29	April 30 May 1, 2 June 15, 16(2), 17 July 24, 25, 26
BRISTOL	May 3, 4(2), 5 June 18, 19, 20 Aug. 3(2), 5	May 6, 7, 8 June 21, 22, 23 Aug. 13, 14, 15, 16		May 15, 16, 17 June 30 July 1, 2, 3, 29 Aug. 17, 18	April 24, 25, 26 June 8(2), 9, 10 July 24, 25, 26	May 28, 29, 30 July 13, 14, 15(2) Aug. 29, 30, 31	May 25, 26, 27(2) July 10, 11, 12 Aug. 26, 27, 28	May 21, 22, 23, 24 Sept. 1, 2, 3
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QUEBEC CITY	April 21, 22, 23 June 4, 5, 6, 7 July 20, 21, 22	April 24, 25, 26 June 8, 9, 10 July 30, 31 Aug. 1, 2	June 1, 2, 3 July 16, 17, 18, 19 Aug. 23, 24, 25	May 3, 4, 5 July 18, 19, 20 Aug. 3, 4(2), 5	May 6, 7, 8 June 21, 22, 23 Aug. 6, 7, 8, 9	May 19, 25, 27(2) July 4, 10, 12 Aug. 21, 26, 28	May 15, 17, 29, 31 June 30 July 2, 14 Aug. 18, 29, 31	

Open April 21st

ALL-STAR GAME JULY 23 - TROIS RIVIERES, CANADA

Close Sept. 3rd

SEP 18 1973 Rangers request Wahconah Park for next season

A request for the use of Wahconah Park under the same conditions as were in effect this past summer for the Pittsfield Rangers Eastern League baseball team was submitted to the Pittsfield Park Commission by Rangers owner Pat McKernan last night.

The commission deferred action until its Oct. 1 meeting, when the complete board will be present. Two of the five members, Charles Gilson and George Pellerin, are out of town and were not present.

Buzas, McKernan will operate Eastern League

HOUSTON — Multi-owners Joe Buzas and Pat McKernan were re-elected vice presidents of the Eastern League at baseball's winter meetings here yesterday. In their capacities, they will run the league after President Roy Jackson becomes president of the Pacific Coast League.

Buzas owned the Pittsfield team from 1965 through 1969. He moved his franchise to Pawtucket in 1970 and to Bristol, Conn., in 1973. He also owns Pawtucket of the International League and Winston-Salem of the Carolina League.

McKernan, owner of the Pittsfield team since 1970, also owns Gastonia of the Western Carolina League.

DEC 7 1973

Portland encouraged in Pittsfield team bid

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Westbrook promoter Stanley Laffin said he has been encouraged in negotiations for the transfer to this area of the Pittsfield, Mass., Class AA baseball team.

Professional baseball, absent here since the Class B New England League folded in 1949, may return to the area in 1975, he said Thursday.

Laffin said he has been negotiating with Pittsfield's owner, Pat McKernan.

Laffin said he will meet Monday and Tuesday in Pittsfield with McKernan and other baseball officials.

He said he is also working in this area to find a place to play, to find backers and to determine area interest.

APR 27 1973 Practice times set for women's softball team

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team will hold its first practice of the season Friday, May 4, at 6 p.m. at the back softball field in Clapp Park. Area women who are high school seniors or older are invited to the opening practice.

The team is a member of the Amateur Softball Association (ASA) and will again be playing in the Women's Bi-State Softball League.

Local businesses that would be interested in helping sponsor the team this year are being sought. Interested persons may contact the recreation supervisor at the Department of Parks and Recreation.

For the first two weeks of the season, practices will be held Friday evenings only. Starting May 15, practices will be scheduled twice a week, Tuesday and Friday evenings. Miss Denise Legault will coach the team.

MAY 10 1973 Women slate softball drill tomorrow at 6

The Pittsfield women's slow pitch softball team will practice tomorrow night at 6 on the back softball field at Clapp Park. High school seniors and women 18 years of age and older will be welcome.

All should come prepared to play and with their own gloves. All other equipment will be provided.

Beginning Tuesday, the team goes on its full summer practice schedule of drills Tuesday and Fridays at 6 at Clapp Park.

Women interested in participating but unable to attend tomorrow's practice should contact the Department of Parks and Recreation.

MAY 18 1973 Pittsfield girls softball team hurting for funds

Opening day is two weeks away for the Pittsfield entry in the Women's Bi-State Softball League, and the local girls are without a sponsor.

So far this spring, the team has been able to secure only \$50 in funds from one contributor, the S&H Green Stamp Redemption Center on West Housatonic St. The girls need \$150 to \$200 more to outfit themselves properly for the 22-game season which starts Friday, June 1, against Turners Falls.

The team hopes to participate in the state women's softball championships at Cape Cod in the middle of July and, after that, will host the Bi-State (Massachusetts and Connecticut) League tournament the weekend of Aug. 17-19 at Lakewood Field.

There will be a special drawing for a \$100 prize on June 30 when Northampton, runner-up in the 1972 state championships, comes to town to play Pittsfield. The money collected by selling drawing chances will go toward buying equipment for the team.

JUN 9 1973 Softball league planned for girls

The Department of Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a softball league for girls between ages 10 and 15.

The league, which will meet Monday and Wednesday evenings during the summer, holds its organizational meeting and first practice this coming Monday at 6 p.m. on the upper field behind North Junior High School. All girls between the ages of 10 and 15 who want to play in this league should attend this practice and be dressed to participate, department officials said. Each girl is asked to provide her own glove. All other equipment will be provided by the department.

The department asked women interested in assisting with this league or persons wanting additional information to contact the department office.

Women's softball slate to open

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team of the Department of Parks and Recreation will open its home season this weekend with a doubleheader scheduled for the back field in Clapp Park.

The women will meet Greenfield on Saturday for the twin bill. Starting time for the first game is 2 p.m.

The team is still looking for an organization or business as its sponsor for the season. Anyone interested should contact the Park Department.

JUN 18 1973 Pittsfield girls split in softball

The local women's softball team opened its season Saturday night by splitting a doubleheader with Greenfield. Pittsfield won the opener 13-12, but lost the second game 6-4.

The victory was the first over Greenfield since August 1971 and broke a six-game losing streak to that team. Pittsfield had to rally for four seventh-inning runs and two ninth-inning tallies to win.

Top hitters were Sharon Sullivan with a home run and a single, Michele Dennis, a double and single, and Judy Breen, two singles, in the first game, and Lynne Shea with a double and single, and Chris Lacy, two singles, in the second.

Fran Smith was credited with the victory, and Jayne DiNicola was charged with the loss.

The girls will be at Turners Falls for the single game tonight.

JUN 25 1973 Women in split at Plainville

On Saturday at Plainville, Conn., the Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team split a doubleheader. In the first game, won by Pittsfield 8-2, Michele Dennis led the 14-hit attack with three singles. Sharon Sullivan with a triple and a single, Lynne Shea with two singles and Shauna Gregory with a triple were the winning team's big hitters.

Fran Smith, the winning pitcher of the first game, lost the second game in relief of Jayne DiNicola in an error-prone game. The local team was guilty of 10 miscues. Pat Thompson with three singles and Miss Smith with a double and two singles were the hitters in a losing cause. Injuries to the Pittsfield players delayed the game on three occasions.

Tape City of 166 Fenn St. along with S&H Green Stamps are now partial sponsors of the women's team. More sponsors are needed. A benefit drawing, which began in April, is the other means of support for the team. The winners will be drawn Saturday at Clapp Park when the women will play a doubleheader against Northampton, the state's second-place team. Tomorrow night at 6:30 at Clapp Park, Pittsfield will attempt to even its record at 4-4 against Turners Falls.

JUL 2 1973 Women's slow-pitch club sweeps

After getting rained out Friday night against Turners Falls and Saturday against Northampton, the Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team won a doubleheader against Brattleboro, Vt., Sunday at Clapp Park.

Judy Bramley Michele Dennis had three singles each to lead Pittsfield to a 13-0 victory in the first game. Judy Breen, Cheryl Donald, winning pitcher Fran Smith and Pat Thompson had two singles each in the 16-hit attack.

In the second game with the score 4-3, the home team came from behind in the fifth inning to clinch the doubleheader 8-4. Jayne DiNicola, the winning pitcher, and Judy Breen both had home runs in the surge.

This coming weekend is going to be a busy one with five home games slated for Pittsfield. Friday night at 6:30 the women will play a single game against Turners Falls, Saturday at 1 they will meet Manchester, Conn., and Sunday at 1 they will face Northampton.

The winners, Sunday, in the team's benefit drawing for \$100, \$50 and \$25, respectively, were Salvatore DeCarlo of Cheshire, and Mrs. Tiny Bartlett and Mrs. Daniel Robichaud, both of Pittsfield.

JUL 11 1973 Local girls hit hard in triumph

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team regained its offensive power last night at Clapp Park with an 18-2 win over Turners Falls. Judy Breen with two triples and two singles and Shauna Gregory with four singles were the leading hitters.

Helen Mayberry with three singles and Cheryl Donald, Chris Lacy and Lynne Shea with two singles each helped the home team's 20-hit attack. Fran Smith chalked up another victory on the mound.

Saturday, Pittsfield will meet Northampton there in a doubleheader.

JUL 16 1973 Women split twin bill at 'Hamp

Last Saturday at Northampton, the Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team split a doubleheader against Cooper's Dairy in two well-played games. Pittsfield won the first game 2-1, with all the scoring taking place in the second inning. It lost the second contest 7-6.

Chris Lacy led off the opener with a single to left and moved to second on an error by the second baseman placing Lynne Shea on first. Jayne DiNicola, the winning pitcher, then hit a single to left center to drive in one run. Shauna Gregory, with two singles was the only winning team member with more than one hit.

Miss Gregory, with a double and two singles, was the leading hitter in the second game also. Pittsfield almost pulled the game out when it tied the score in the seventh inning at 6-6. Northampton scored one run to win in the bottom of the last inning. Miss DiNicola, who absorbed the loss, and Judy Bramley had two singles each. Judy Breen had a home run.

Tonight Pittsfield will play Turners Falls there in a single game.

City women bop Turners Falls in softball

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team trounced Turners Falls 25-5. Chris Lacy and Helen Mayberry led the winning team with five singles each. Judy Breen with a home run, double and a single, Shauna Gregory with a double and two singles and Lynne Shea with three singles contributed to Pittsfield's 24-hit attack. Cheryl Donald, the winning pitcher, had a double and two singles to aid her cause.

Pittsfield will take part in the women's slow-pitch state tournament which is being held Saturday and Sunday at Lynn. The local squad is taking an 8-8 league record and an 11-8 overall mark into the tournament. Last year the women were third behind Greenfield and Northampton.

JUL 19 1973

AUG 21 1973 Pittsfield women end softball slate

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team ended its season last weekend, splitting a doubleheader with Greenfield on Saturday and losing two to Northampton on Sunday. The record for the summer was 19-14, with 11-9 in league play, 2-2 in the state tournament and 6-3 in independent games.

Pittsfield won the first game Saturday 11-8, paced by Jayne DiNicola, who had two doubles and a single. Michele Dennis with a double and a single, Chris Lacy and Helen Mayberry with two singles each and Shauna Gregory with a triple aided the winning team's hitting attack. Fran Smith was the winning pitcher. In the second game, Pittsfield was held to three hits and lost 4-0. Miss DiNicola was the losing pitcher.

Northampton won Sunday's doubleheader 6-5 and 10-7. In the first game, Judy Bramley, Cheryl Donald and Miss Lacy had two singles apiece for Pittsfield with Miss Smith absorbing the loss. Miss Gregory had a triple and a single and Miss Bramley had two singles in a losing effort in the second game. Miss DiNicola was the losing pitcher.

Pittsfield women fight for tourney survival

JUL 27 1973

The Pittsfield women's softball team will be battling for survival tomorrow in the state double-elimination tournament at Lynn. The local club was rained out last Saturday and won two games and lost one Sunday. Pittsfield must win four straight games today to take the title. The top two teams at Lynn will advance to the regionals at New Hampshire next weekend.

Last Sunday, Pittsfield shut out St. Mary's of Dracut 12-0. The leading hitters were Judy Breen with a home run and a single, Lynne Shea with a triple and two singles and Jayne DiNicola with a double and two singles. The other local players who contributed three hits to the 20-hit barrage were Michele Dennis, Chris Lacy and Sharon Sullivan.

After six scoreless innings against the Lynn All-Stars,

Pittsfield slipped and Lynn combined three errors with three hits in the seventh to win 3-0. Fran Smith, the winning pitcher of the first game, gave up only four hits. The Pittsfield bats were relatively silent. Cheryl Donald had two of the team's five singles.

Against the Yarmouth Dolphinettes, Pittsfield scored five runs in the first inning and held on for a 10-7 win. Sharon Sullivan, who had four singles to lead Pittsfield, made some fantastic catches in left field throughout the day. Miss Breen with a home run and a single, Miss Lacy with a triple and a single, and Miss Dennis with a double and a single sparked the 16-hit attack. Miss DiNicola was the winning pitcher. In the fifth inning, Miss Smith came in relief to preserve the win.

Pittsfield will be returning home tomorrow night from the tournament and Sunday will play an independent doubleheader at Brattleboro, Vt., at 1:30.

Pittsfield girls finish 4th in state

JUL 31 1973

The Pittsfield women's slow-pitch softball team was knocked out of the women's state slow-pitch tournament 10-9 by Greenfield last Saturday. They placed fourth out of 14 teams in the final standings. Michele Dennis had a triple and a single in the losing cause, with Judy Breen and Sharon Sullivan getting two singles each. Fran Smith was the losing pitcher.

On Sunday, Pittsfield traveled to Brattleboro, Vt., and won an independent doubleheader. Lynne Shea was the leading hitter with a triple and a single. Judy Bramley had two singles, and Miss Breen added a triple in the 7-3 first game win. Jayne DiNicola was the winning pitcher.

In the second game, with Miss Smith on the mound, Pittsfield won 9-6. Extra-base hits were the big blows for the winning team as Miss Breen drove in three runs with a home run. Miss Dennis drove in two runs with a triple, and Miss DiNicola had a home run with no one on. Miss Shea had two singles and was the only Pittsfield player with more than one hit.

The next scheduled game for Pittsfield is away against Westfield on Aug. 7.

Local girls lose twice in softball

AUG 7 1973

Pittsfield girls dropped their only two games in the state youth softball tournament at Northampton Saturday. They lost to Northampton, 28-0, and to Amherst 10-1.

The event was sponsored by the Amateur Softball Association.

The local all-star team was selected from players in the six-team summer league of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The roster included Linda Altman, June Anderson, Tina Barrington, Joan Boynton, Donna Coughlin, Rita Gomes, Lynne Greenleaf, Sheryl Gromacki, Sally Hajjar, Cathy Hall, Linda Hall, Wendy Lusignan, Amy Mesnig, Sue Monteleone, Sue Polson and Lynnea Reis.

JAN 8 1973
Volleyball program
planned for women

The Department of Parks and Recreation said today that it hopes to begin a volleyball program for women Thursday evening, Jan. 18, at North Junior High School from 7-9 p.m.

The program will be conducted for 10 Thursdays through March 22. Registration fee for the program will be \$10 per person, payable in full the first night of the program. Additional information is available from the Department of Parks and Recreation.

SEP 22 1973
Volleyball program
slated for women

The Department of Parks and Recreation's women's volleyball program will begin next Wednesday and run for eight consecutive Wednesdays, through Nov. 14.

Department officials said that the program will be conducted from 7 to 9 p.m. in the gymnasium at North Junior High School. High school graduates or women 18 years of age and older who are interested in playing recreational volleyball were asked to contact the Department of Parks and Recreation to register. A registration fee will be charged.

Volleyball program
still open to women

The Department of Parks and Recreation announced today that vacancies still exist in the women's volleyball program scheduled to begin tomorrow night, 7-9, at North Junior High School.

Women 18 or older should contact the Department of Parks and Recreation to register. The program will run for eight consecutive Wednesdays through Nov. 14.

SEP 25 1973

JAN 6 1973
Park Department
takes requests
for summer jobs

The Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that applications are available for positions on the summer staffs of the playgrounds and beaches.

Playground applicants must be Pittsfield residents who are at least 17 years old. Persons applying for positions with the beaches must be Pittsfield residents, 16 years or older who have 20-20 vision and current Red Cross senior life saving and standard first aid certificates.

Deadline for filing applications for summer positions is March 19 at 5 p.m.

JAN 17 1973
Park board likes
plans for park

The Park Commission on Monday night endorsed the preliminary plans for a playground and park in the West Street urban-renewal area.

The endorsement means that the commission, once the park has been developed, would take over responsibility for the area across the Housatonic River from Briggs School.

The park, part of a Pittsfield Redevelopment Authority project, is being designed by landscape architect John W. Tullock Jr. Tullock, PRA Chairman Ronald Stratton and PRA executive director John C. Fuller were present at the meeting Monday.

Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said it is the commissioners' feeling that the proposed park would be "an excellent addition" to the neighborhood.

Hebert said provisions are being made to insure that the park has facilities for youngsters from preschool age to teens.

In other business, the commission received a request from Williams School Principal Charles R. Bordeau for flooding of the school playground for a skating rink. Hebert said he would look into the proposal.

JAN 19 1973
Council to vote
on Valentine Rd.
land exchange

A land swap between the city and state in connection with an extension of Valentine Road is coming before the City Council next Tuesday for approval.

The even swap of 3.6 acres of land held by the state Department of Mental Health for 3.6 nearby acres owned by the city has already been authorized by the state legislature.

Valentine Road now ends at Lakeway Drive but will be pushed through to Peck's Road, taking Lakeway traffic away from the Onota lakefront.

14—The Berkshire Eagle, Tuesday, Jan. 16, 1973

Possible uses of revenue sharing outlined

By GRIER HORNER

Federal revenue-sharing funds could finance badly needed projects ranging from a transportation study to a new or rehabilitated library, Mayor Butler said last night.

In the first extensive exposition of his views on what the city should do with its \$1.14 million a year in revenue-sharing funds for 1972-76, Butler unfolded a plan for a mixture of minor and major projects.

All are critically needed, he said. He firmly committed himself to only four relatively low-cost projects last night. But he indicated he will also come in with some major proposals, such as one concerning the library or one for a new central fire station, or both.

Only originator

Butler is the only person who can initiate spending, but he can't spend money without the City Council's approval. He sought Council reaction to his program last night but got little.

The relatively low-cost items for which the mayor said he will ask Council approval shortly are these:

—Installation of a new police communications system at a cost of \$75,000 to \$100,000.

—Construction of a public works repair garage for roughly \$80,000.

—Leasing of a computer to handle the city's billing and accounting at a cost of \$5,000 to \$8,000 a year more than the \$25,000 paid for existing equipment.

—A \$20,000 study and plan by a consulting firm for a Pittsfield take-over of bus transportation here.

Other possibilities

In addition, the mayor said he is studying the cost and other aspects of the following and may come in with concrete proposals before his term expires at the end of the year.

—Construction of a new library or rehabilitation of the old and structurally flawed Berkshire Athenaeum. The 225-acre tract is for sale for \$259,000.

—Construction of a central fire station to replace the old Hall. —A school rehabilitation program, focusing on modernization of Pittsfield High School.

City Councilmen Roy F. Brown and Peter G. Arlos said the revenue-sharing money

should be used largely to reduce taxes.

Butler said there is a danger in using it directly for tax reduction. If other communities don't do the same thing, he said, the city would get less in future revenue-sharing disbursements because local tax effort is one of the key factors in determining how much a city gets.

Would ease burden

But using the funds as he proposed, he said, would indirectly ease the tax burden by paying for projects the city would have to undertake eventually whether it had revenue sharing or not.

To undertake major projects like a library or fire station, Butler envisions borrowing for the five-year term of revenue sharing. These loans would be paid off in full with the revenue-sharing money by the time the funding term ends in 1976.

In his outline to the Council, he did not propose putting up money for the Berkshire Mental Health Center, the Early Childhood Development Center, or others that have asked for city assistance.

Butler also said the city, by law, couldn't step in with revenue-sharing funds to fill the gap being created by the Nixon administration freeze on a number of programs like urban renewal, housing, sewer installations and water projects.

Greenery vs. growth

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

In answer to Louis Russo's letter of Dec. 6, suggesting development of Springside Park with Growth Center funds, I hope Pittsfield has not yet acted on the Springside Park issue.

I am aware of the size of Springside, having spent many fun-filled and wonderful hours within its "just-waiting-to-be-developed land." I disagree with Mr. Russo and others who wish to cut up the only large park in an area where undeveloped land is vanishing. I think tomorrow's children would rather have an untouched haven of woods and fields large enough to take a hike in without having to cross streets or follow paved roads. By virtue of their inaccessibility, many of these acres are ideal for a child's short legs, making them suitable for an adventurous child looking for new horizons to conquer, or allowing them to serve as a refuge for the individual.

Parks serve mainly the young and the elderly. The young do not need several hundred thousand dollars' worth of concrete and steel or a fully landscaped golf course to have fun, nor do they need blacktopped roads. It is hard for me to speak for the elderly, but I think most are happy with having a place to stroll, some sun to soak up and children to watch and care for.

Bicycle trails I can agree with—but please don't introduce motor vehicles to Springside. If

you must build, why not put swimming pool or tennis courts near the edge of the park and leave the rest as is? I feel Growth Center funds would be better spent if Pittsfield simply acquired another parcel of unspoiled land in another portion of the city.

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JAN 25 1973

Burgner Farm purchase funds asked by mayor

Mayor Butler is asking the City Council to approve spending \$263,144 to buy the Burgner Farm on outer Williams Street.

The farm, more than 200 acres in size, is owned by the Berkshire Medical Center.

The proposal comes before the Council at its 7:30 p.m. meeting at City Hall tomorrow.

Butler has proposed that the land could be used for both a park and a future school site. Councilman Raymond E. Crow has proposed that part of the land be set aside for housing.

The mayor has said he intends to use federal revenue-sharing money to buy the property.

FEB 12 1973

FEB 26 1973
Mrs. Murphy asks
more park activities
for city's girls

City Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy has filed a petition asking that the Parks Department spend a portion of its budget on "gymnastics, tennis and dancing for girls."

The issue will come before the Council Tuesday night and probably will be referred to a committee.

"I also asked that more emphasis be placed on non-athletic forms of recreation," Mrs. Murphy said. "We're spending an awful lot of money on the physically elite, when the people who really need the exercise are sitting on the benches watching."

Wants 'shake-up'

She said a shake-up is needed in the Parks Department and repeated her contention that "it would be helpful if the mayor would appoint a woman to that board" to fill a vacancy created by the retirement of the late William J. Carrigan.

"Dozens of women in this city would be an asset to the Park Commission."

Mrs. Murphy estimated that only 5 per cent of the School Department's \$78,297 athletic budget will go toward girls athletics.

"It would be easy to point an accusing finger at the School Department," Mrs. Murphy said. "But the real fault lies with the Parks Department. So much emphasis is placed on football and baseball for boys that by the time the students reach high school the interest is instilled in male students."

MAR 6 1973
Park board
hit for cutting
healthy oak

A healthy oak tree that was felled in Brattlebrook Park was the subject of a confrontation last night between some conservationists and the Park Commission.

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy has charged that the cutting, without prior notice or a public hearing, was illegal. She was supported last night by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sass of Pittsfield and Joel Librizzi of Lenox.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert reported that the tree in the lower meadow was cut because it was interfering with the flying of model planes, an activity allowed in that section of Brattlebrook. The planes were being damaged by hitting the tree, and there was a danger of people being hurt by climbing the old oak to remove their planes, Hebert said.

Clearing supported

George Wilkinson, president of the Berkshire Radio Control Flying Club, and George Parker, past president, brought a plane to the meeting and backed the need for an area in which to fly the craft.

Supt. Hebert said that he will check with city officials about tree-cutting laws and that he would hold public hearings on future cuttings if the law so mandates.

MAR 6 1973

Study urged before sale of any of Burgner property

The School Building Needs Commission is asking Mayor Butler and the City Council not to sell any portion of the Burgner farm until after a land-use map has been developed.

Chairman Anne E. Wojtkowski said it would be poor planning for the city to sell the old Burgner farmhouse before the land use of the area has been determined. The commission voted unanimously last night to request the city to buy intact the 226-acre tract on outer Williams Street.

Farmhouse sale

The Council has already authorized Mayor Butler to spend \$263,144 to purchase the land. But the Council first wants the mayor and the Berkshire Medical Center, owner of the property, to reach agreement on the sale of the old farmhouse to Dr. Kenneth J. Solomon, who is renting it.

Mrs. Wojtkowski said the sale could be disastrous to future use of the area. She fears that too much of the property's 540 feet of frontage would be relinquished by the sale.

"I am not against selling the property if a land-use study shows we won't need it," she said today.

If the study determines that the house site is the best site for a future school, then the farmhouse could be moved to another location, she suggested. The house is one of the city's oldest.

She said the city should retain as much of the limited frontage as possible for access to the property, some of which might be sold off at a later date for private development.

Butler said today he has requested BMC to grant only minimum frontage should the 1791-vintage house be sold. He said BMC is to check with him before the sale is completed, and that the price would be deducted from the amount the city would have to pay.

"We don't want any more houses and don't want to tear any good houses down," the mayor said. "They're hard to come by."

\$19,697 is trimmed from city budget

The City Council on Wednesday pruned \$19,697 from the 1973-74 budget.

It cut \$18,197 from the \$673,000 Parks and Recreation budget by chopping out two new jobs and removing the out-of-state travel account of \$1,381.

It took \$800 from the \$114,000 earmarked for the Assessors, also removing the money from travel accounts.

The Council reduced the \$47,400 Airport Commission budget by \$700. And it passed without any reductions the \$35,300 budget of the sealer of weights and measures and the \$98,500 budget of the Council on Aging.

The fiscal review will be continued Monday.

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In Brief . . .

MAR 7 1973

One of the more interesting facts to emerge yesterday from Pittsfield's special School Committee election is that now all but one of the seven members will be paid public employees.

The exception is Dorothy Crane, who made an impressive showing in another way, winning every ward in getting elected to the short-term vacancy. Obviously, the quality of a school board dominated by public servants depends more on the individuals than the source of their pay; nonetheless such a board is quite a different creature from one dominated by disinterested citizens. Highlighting the difference here is that two of the seven members are working as professionals in education.

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Three weeks after the cutting of a fine, large oak in Brattleboro Park was brought to public attention through an *Eagle* letter to the editor, there is a dismaying ignorance on the part of Park Superintendent Hebert as to the laws governing tree cutting. It's bad enough to know that the tree was destroyed in the interests of a private recreation group. It's worse

to discover that the superintendent not only didn't check in advance to see whether his action would be legal or illegal—but after being challenged on the point, still hasn't bothered to find out.

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The worst mud mess in years has hit the road crews of rural Berkshire. As anyone obliged to travel on the county's unpaved byways is painfully aware, days of thawing temperatures combined with the ravages of a singularly open winter have converted poorly drained back roads into hopeless quagmires, to the delight of tow-truck operators but nobody else.

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Though Mayor Butler and others went to bat to help save the New England Regional Commission from a state hatchet job, NERC cannot view its pending Pittsfield Growth Center proposals with any less critical an eye. NERC, under attack as a thoughtless spendthrift in disbursing federal funds, has no choice but to tighten up and end its patronage-influenced boondoggling. Thanks to exposés in the *Boston Globe*, the Massachusetts part of the cleanup seems to be well under way.

In Brief . . .

There should be no surprise in Stockbridge at the consulting engineers' report that the town sewage-treatment works is outdated and overloaded and must be replaced. The system is one of the oldest in the county, partly because Stockbridge was one of the first small Housatonic River communities trying to keep raw sewage out of the stream. Under present conditions, with federal and state crackdowns possible but federal financial aid in limbo, the town is in a tough spot. It is made no easier by the engineers' expression of hope that as much as 90 per cent of the cost of a new disposal system can yet be financed by government grants. The record of what's happening elsewhere to such projects, many of them well into the planning stage, shows that hope is what Stockbridge must discount.

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There's little left to say about Union Federal's offer to trade a case of canned soup for each \$100 deposit. President McAlister, however, has put a spotlight on hunger by noting that steaks as premiums would be too cost-

ly. In fact, if hungry bankers take the next obvious step, their come-ons will range from soup to nuts.

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Preoccupation with our interstate newspaper concerns, or so we are forced to believe, caused yesterday's blooper here in the name of Brattlebrook Park. A printer and an editor who had worked at our newspaper in Brattleboro managed somehow to dislocate the local park into Vermont. That's easier to correct than the felling of the Brattlebrook oak, though neither should have happened.

The felled oak

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

I would like to add an abut-ter's view to your reports of the incident of the oak-tree cutting and radio-model-airplane flying in the lower section of Brattlebrook Park.

The oak tree that was cut down at the request of the Berkshire Radio Flying Club and the order of the park commissioner was over 50 years old. It stood stately and magnificent in the center of a 50-acre field. It was 75 feet tall and its health and shape could not be duplicated anywhere in New England — a perfect specimen.

It had no lower branches and its girth was so large that it would be impossible to climb, contrary to Mr. Hebert's claims.

The abutters of this section of the park have watched the tree grow for the last 50 years, and at no time has anyone, including boys, ever attempted to climb it.

No mature person or experienced park commissioner would order this magnificent oak destroyed at the whim of a few hobbyists who are using part of the park for a flying field, which is not state-approved in the first place. Pricewise, these model airplanes are in the \$300 range. Anyone who had seen this mighty oak in its full summer splendor would know that its value was priceless.

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MAR 12 1973

MAR 8 1973. More recreation for girls to be topic of study

At the urging of Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy, the Park Commission will consider adding more recreational programs for girls.

Mrs. Murphy, who met with the commission Monday, said she has received requests for more girls' programs, particularly for disadvantaged youngsters.

John C. Marchesi, director of recreation, and Miss Andrea G. Snell, recreation supervisor, outlined the programs now offered during the summer to both girls and boys.

It was generally agreed, Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said, that steps will be taken to add special programs for girls "if the need can be determined and if funds and facilities can be obtained."

Other business

In other business Monday, the Park Commission:

—Was shown a preliminary development plan of Burbank Park by engineer Robert B. Deloye. Hebert said the plan will be submitted to the mayor and City Council for clearance to apply for a \$5,000 Ford Foundation grant to aid the project. The city would match the grant.

—Agreed to work with the Planning Board, Public Works commissioner and Traffic Department in development of a bicycle trail here, as requested by Mrs. Murphy.

MAR 8 1973



SIX YEARS from now, Burbank Park, as envisioned by the engineering firm of Robert B. Deloye, will be de-

veloped for year-round recreation and will include such facilities as a mini ski tow and bobsled run.

Burbank Park plans revealed

The Park Commission has released the details of a preliminary long-range development plan that would open up Burbank Park to year-round use.

The City Council has already pledged \$5,000 to the project, and the Park Commission is applying for another \$5,000 from the Ford Foundation.

The \$10,000 sum would permit the engineering firm of Robert B. Deloye, Inc., of 27 East Housatonic St. to carry the plans through the final stages.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said the development plan would take 5 to 6 years to implement at a cost of \$300,000 to \$500,000. That money would come chiefly from the state Bureau of Outdoor Recreation, according to Hebert.

Road extension

The plan is predicated in part on the planned extension of Valentine Road from where it ends now at Lakeway Drive northeast into the park to Navy Boulevard. Mayor Butler has said the Valentine extension will be done this year.

Included in the preliminary plans for the 140-acre park on the eastern shore of Onota Lake are the following:

—A "Burbank Lodge" that would be open year round for swimmers, boaters, ice fishermen and the like.

—Several bathing areas, including a sheltered one with a ramp into the water for the handicapped.

—Several sports areas, including a junior ski tow, a junior bobsled run, a baseball diamond, a tot lot and a recreation shelter.

—Several boating facilities, including launch ramps, docks and slips.

—Picnic areas and a network of nature trails.

—Several parking areas, including one for cars with trailers near the launching ramp.

—A fishing pier.

—A day camp.

Controlled access

Access to the entire area would be controlled by gates on Lakeway Drive, Navy Boulevard and Valentine Road, according to the plans.

Hebert said the plan has been developed by the Park Commissioners and Deloye in conjunction with the Conservation Commission and the Berkshire Natural Resources Council.

MAR 16 1973

Weather cuts attendance at winter park programs

Pittsfield this season experienced its second consecutive bad year for winter sports activities.

"I think it was the worst winter since we had the water shortage in the mid-1960s and last year's, due to the fact that couldn't make ice for skating," said the city director of recreation, John C. Marchesi.

Bousquet snow helps

With light snow, mild temperatures and rain, skating at the city's six rinks was pretty much a washout. There were only nine skating days, compared to 16 last year and 29 the year be-

fore. Sledding was also plagued by poor conditions.

"The only good part of our program was the children's ski instruction program," Marchesi said. "It was as successful as last year's, due to the fact that Bousquet's has man-made snow."

Three hundred youngsters took beginners' and advanced skiing lessons under this program, financed by a \$2,600 grant from the City Council.

Marchesi said the program is so old that replacement parts line starts forming two hours in advance and that a number of youngsters have to be turned away.

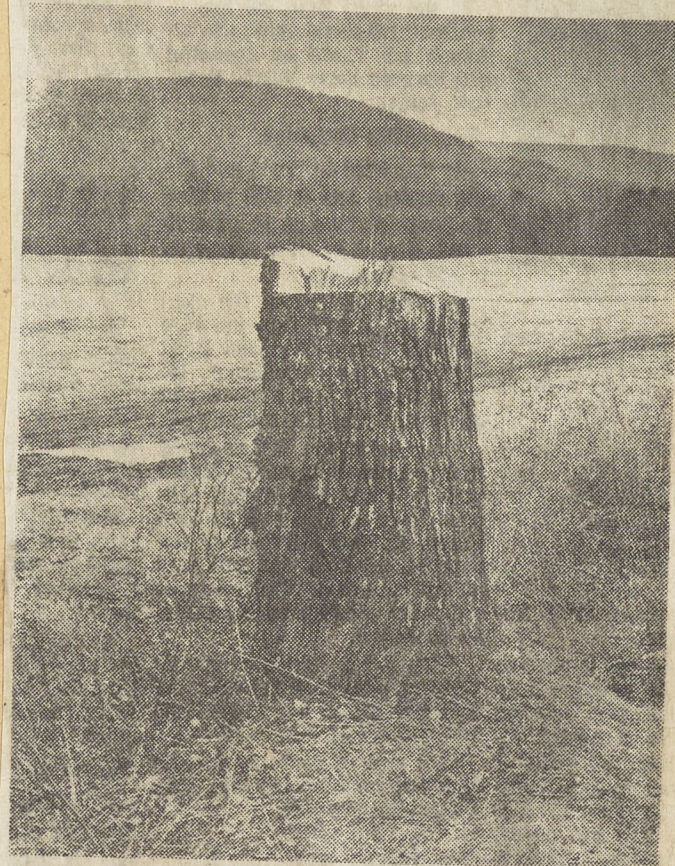
In conjunction with Bousquet, an eight-lesson program is also conducted for 400 adults. But they pay their own way.

Marchesi said the motor on the ski tow at Osceola park is so old that replacement parts have to be made specially. Breakdowns cut the skiing at that park to six days, he said.

Cumulative attendance at Park Department programs was 15,160, down almost 5,000 from the year before, Marchesi said.

MAR 20 1973

Noisy minority... silent spring



To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

According to George Parker of the Berkshire Radio Flying Club, it takes 300 man-hours to build one of their remote-control model airplanes.

In contrast, it took 300,000 God-hours to build the good oak tree which was felled for no reason except it was in the planes' way. The Brattlebrook oak had graced the lonely 50-acre field since before 1916, and had seen at least 57 springtimes come and go. This spring, nest-building birds may wonder what became of it.

The oak stump is still there, surrounded by saw-dust and

broken hunks of bark, a powerful and tragic symbol of disregard of the environment by a mushrooming army who pursue motorized recreation.

Aldo Leopold, in his classic book, "A Sand County Almanac," says: "We abuse the land because we regard it as a commodity belonging to us. When we see the land as a community to which we belong, we may begin to use it with love and respect. There is no other way for land to survive the impact of mechanized man."

JOEL LIBRIZZI

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MAR 13 1973

Coolidge brook relocation voted

At a Hatch Act hearing yesterday, the Conservation Commission unanimously approved plans to relocate part of a brook from the site of the Coolidge Park community school.

It was the first time the commission had acted under its increased authority granted Oct. 16 by the Wetlands Protection Act.

Commission Chairman George L. Pezzini Jr. said the architects' proposals to relocate a section of the brook and to improve drainage in the area drew no opposition. The plans had previously been approved by the Planning Board.

The \$3 million West Side School for 600 pupils is slated for completion in the fall of 1974.

Personnel sought for summer jobs

The Department of Parks and Recreation has begun interviewing candidates for positions on the summer playground staff.

At present, a department spokesman said, applications have been received from previous and prospective employees for 75 positions. The interviews will be held once a week through April 20.

The deadline for filing applications for both playgrounds and beaches is Monday. Applicants must be Pittsfield residents.

MAR 15 1973

Park board delays rock-concert question

The Pittsfield Park Commission on Monday deferred action on a request for the use of Wahconah Park five evenings this summer for rock concerts.

Vincent J. Hebert, park superintendent, said the request came from Joseph Bonavita of Springfield, representing D Promotions. He said the request is for permission to stage five evening concerts of "light rock." Dates were not specific, according to Hebert.

The commission also postponed action on a request from Patrick McKernan, president of the Pittsfield Rangers, to stage shows by the Trans-World Auto Daredevils July 3 and 4 at Wahconah Park. Hebert said action was tabled pending a check with the Firemen's Muster committee, which has permission to operate in the park those days.

Hebert reported that employees of the Department of Parks and Recreation will be informed about a proposed savings plan involving deferred income.

MAR 20 1973



PITTSFIELD RESIDENTS Charley Gilson, left, and Joe Coy, right, pose with American League President Joe Cronin at Sarasota, Fla., where they attended a game between the Boston Red Sox and Chicago White Sox. Red Sox won 4-1. Gilson, a park commissioner, is retired from The Berkshire Eagle, where he was a photo-engraver. Coy is a retired captain in the Pittsfield Fire Department.

MAR 24 1973
Jr. high gyms
to be open on
four Saturdays

Three city departments are again cooperating to open three junior high school gymnasiums for use by students on four consecutive Saturday afternoons.

Gyms will be open at North, South and Crosby junior highs from 1 to 4 p.m., starting this afternoon and continuing March 31 and April 7 and 14. The program is being conducted by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the School and Public Buildings departments. Similar programs have been conducted for three previous years.

The mayor and City Council provided the funds to run the program, which is designed for pupils in the public and parochial schools between the ages of 12 and 15.

Supervision will be under the direction of the physical education teachers at the junior high schools. Students and parents have volunteered to assist, as well as six students from Berkshire Community College. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, director of recreation John C. Marchesi, supervisor of recreation Andrea G. Snell and supervisor of park police Fred P. Garner will also help with supervision.

Rick Pearce, president of the student council at North Junior High School, Kim Hallock of Crosby and Steve Tomasi of South were instrumental in the opening of the schools for the afternoon programs.

MAR 28 1973



FIRST SPRING sailing on Onota resulted yesterday when the lure of sunny skies, a mild wind and considerable open water in the northeast section of the lake enticed 15-year-old skippers Greg Race and Andy Kelly

into launching their Sunfish. Except for a few ice snags, the boys described conditions as a sailor's holiday. Other signs of spring reported in the county were a rash of bike riders and kite fliers.

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Transition

The ice on Pontosuc Lake weakened dramatically this week and threatens to go out earlier than ever before. The record was set March 26, 1913. Last year the ice left on April 27. Perhaps we're seeing history made.



Open Water

Onota Lake, from a point just off Peck's Road near the causeway gently reflects the March sky, the ice having retreated far from shore in response to the mild winter.

MAR 24 1973

APR 3 1973 \$1 million sought for park use

The Conservation Commission and the Park Department are seeking \$1 million from the city for development of Wild Acres and Burbank, Springside and Brattlebrook parks.

They are also applying to the state Bureau of Outdoor Recreation for a matching grant of \$1 million. The joint project was approved by the Park Commissioners at their meeting last night. It was approved Friday by the Conservation Commission.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks, said the project is timely because funds are apparently available from the state for park development. Mayor Butler and the City Council will be asked to raise the money through a bond issue, he said.

In other business last night, Hebert reported that the Park Commissioners:

—Delayed action on a request from the Eagles to use Burbank Park on May 20 for a fishing derby, with food and liquor served. Hebert said the serving of liquor is generally not allowed.

—Approved a request from the Salvation Army on behalf of Key 73, a combined church group, to use Clapp Park for a 7 a.m. Easter sunrise service.

—Set April 22 at 3 p.m. at Springside Park for the annual Easter egg hunt, canceled last year because of inclement weather. Cosponsor is the Pittsfield Exchange Club.

—Set May 5-6 for the children's fishing derby at Wild Acres. The senior citizens' derby will be May 7. Both are sponsored by the Conservation Commission, the City Fish Pond Committee, the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club and the state Division of Fisheries and Game.

—Set May 6 at 2 p.m. at Springside Park for family kite-flying day.

—Noted there are two Saturdays left in the junior high schools' recreation program, held in conjunction with the School and Public Buildings departments.

—Received a petition for a playground in the Yankee Orchard area.

APR 16 1973 8 acres burn over at Springside Park

A grass fire at Springside Park Sunday afternoon burned off some eight acres of grass and woodland.

Firemen, neighbors and officers of the Department of Natural Resources assisted in putting out the breeze-fed blaze. A Fire Department official said the fire reached from the North Street end of the park to near Bossidy Drive. Dead trees, as well as grass, were destroyed.

The park fire was the most serious of more than 20 local grass fires over the weekend. Firemen said the situation was particularly dangerous over the weekend because of the dry and breezy conditions.

APR 7 1973 Mayor names Roger Sloper to Park Board



Roger B. Sloper

Mayor Butler appointed Roger B. Sloper of 24 Upland Road to the Park Commission Friday to replace the late William J. Carrigan who retired from the five-man board last September.

The Sloper appointment will be up for ratification at Tuesday's City Council meeting. The term expires May 1, 1975.

Sloper, a local Realtor, has long been associated with the Park Department's winter sports program. He is a member of the Mt. Greylock Ski Club, the Lions Club and the Berkshire County Realtors.

Sloper's father, the late Archie K. Sloper, had served as a member of the Park Commission for a number of years. He was first appointed in 1945.

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Civitan to aid four agencies with cash gifts

The Northern Berkshire Association for Retarded Children will receive a check for \$1,150 tomorrow during the annual presentation night of the Civitan Club of Pittsfield.

The event is slated to begin at 7:30 at the Stanley Club.

Three other agencies in the Berkshires, including the Pittsfield Parks Department, will receive checks from Civitan. The money was raised by members of the club through the annual sale of their Claxton fruitcakes and other fund-raising events.

The Berkshire County Association for Retarded Children will be given \$300 for resource improvements; the Parks Department will receive \$300 toward the development of a golf area at Springside Park; and the Boy Scouts will be given the same amount toward the trip expense of participating in the National Scout Jamboree in Moraine State Park in Pennsylvania.

Civitan members also recently presented Copley Terrace Halfway House with an electric range and a dining room set.

Edward J. Ptak, vice president of the Civitan Club, will be master of ceremonies tomorrow.

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Garden Club offers its aid to improve Park Square

The Berkshire Garden Club is offering to help the Park Commission spruce up Park Square for the 1976 bicentennial.

Mrs. Robert D. Bardwell and Mrs. James R. Sloane old the park commissioners last night that the club would like to help prepare a development plan for the park and would raise money to help implement it.

They also expressed hope that other community groups would join in the beautification effort.

The park commissioners said they are grateful for the offer and will meet with the Berkshire Garden Club soon.

Other business

In other business last night, the park commissioners:

—Denied a request from D Promoters of Springfield to use Wahconah Park for rock concerts this summer.

—Granted a request from the Pittsfield Elks Club to use Wahconah Park July 10 for the Clyde Beatty-Cole Bros. Circus.

—Granted a request from the Berkshire Chapter of the NAACP to use Pitt Playground June 30 for a black festival.

—Granted a request from a support committee of the United Ministry to use the First Street Common Sept. 8 for a city-wide chicken barbecue.

—Granted a request from the Eagles to hold a fishing derby at Burbank Park May 20.

Pay raises voted for city employees

City employees are about to get a 5 per cent pay raise, retroactive to Jan. 1.

The City Council last night gave the pay measure submitted by Mayor Butler initial approval on a 10-1 vote. Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy was the lone opponent.

The increases would go to all but a handful of the more than 700 non-school city employees. These workers currently have an annual payroll of almost \$7.5 million, bringing the cost of the wage hike to roughly \$375,000.

Part-time employees

By the same margin the Council also voted pay raises exceeding 5 per cent to several part-time municipal workers. Under the measure, City Physician David B. Kagan would get a \$2,500 increase to \$7,500. That is a 50 per cent increase. City Solicitor Samuel Landa would get a \$1,000 raise to \$8,000 — a 12

per cent boost. Assistant Solicitor Arnold L. Rose would also get \$1,000 more, jacking his salary by 17 per cent to \$7,000 a year.

New maximums

The 5 per cent increase, which was offered to union and non-union workers alike, will bring the maximum pay to the following sample levels: Principal clerks and painters, \$7,262; police patrolmen and firefighters, \$9,610; park foreman, \$11,575; city clerk, auditor, \$13,213; fire and police chief, \$16,817; public works commissioner, \$17,800.

For an employee who was making \$10,000 a year, it means a \$500 raise.

The Council also took initial action to allow workers who get promotions to advance to the higher levels of their new pay category immediately, with approval of the mayor and their department head.

Carrigan bids \$15,800 to supply new lights at Wahconah Park

Carrigan Electric Co. of 47 Lenox Ave. submitted the only bid — totaling \$15,800 — for furnishing floodlights at Wahconah Park.

The Park Commissioners, who opened the bid Wednesday, took it under advisement. The specifications call for two poles and 24 floodlights for the ball field.

Curletti heads park board

John C. Curletti of 138 Parkside Ave. was elected chairman of the Park Commission Monday, succeeding George J. Pellerin of 100 Northumberland Road.

In other business, the commission:

—Authorized the engineering firm of Robert B. Deloye, Inc., to proceed with topographical mapping of Burbank Park in connection with its planned development for recreation purposes.

—Granted a request from the U.S. Coast Guard to have a boating safety inspection day at Onota Lake June 9.

—Granted a request from the Pittsfield High School Generals Baseball Booster Club to sell soda at Clapp Park high school games.

—Received a request from the Berkshire Flying Club for certain repairs at Brattlebrook Park, which it has been authorized to use for flying model airplanes. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, who said the landing area has apparently been eroded by trail bikes, planned to meet with club members today.

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APR 24 1973 Conservation board gives approval to park, road extension

The Conservation Commission gave unanimous approval last night to plans for a riverside park off West Street and for an extension of Valentine Road across a hillside drainage area.

The West Street park, on the banks of the Housatonic River west branch, is being planned by the Pittsfield Redevelopment Authority. The Valentine Road extension, to link Lakeway Drive and Peck's Road, is being planned as a Chapter 90 project to be completed this year.

City Public Works Commissioner Gerald S. Doyle estimated cost of the project at \$200,000 and said the Valentine Road extension will cover one-half to three-quarters of a mile.

Requests for approval came under provisions of the state's new Wetlands Protection Act which requires that local conservation commissions review and set standards for wetlands dredge and fill permits.



Tulips The wielding of brooms, the wheeling of babies and the blooming of tulips confirm the arrival of spring on the Dunham Street Mall.

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5,000 tulips in bloom

The Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that there are still approximately 5,000 tulips in bloom in the Springside Park gardens which should be at their peak through this week.

The tulip display is behind Springside House, 874 North St. Inclement weather has damaged some of the flowers, but the majority of them are still in bloom.

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MAY 22 1973 2nd beer fest to raise funds for fishing pier

Plans are under way for the second Bavarian beer festival sponsored by the Pittsfield Rotary Club to raise money for a fishing pier at Onota Lake.

The Rotary Club has been working with Supt. of Parks and Recreation Vincent J. Hebert on plans for the event. This year the festival will be held on Saturday, June 9, from 5 to 11 p.m. and Sunday, June 10, from 1 to 7 p.m. at the GEAA grounds on Crane Avenue. There will be Bavarian type foods for sale.

All proceeds from the two-day festival will go toward the construction of the fishing pier, which is to be placed in the vicinity of the pumping station at Onota Lake. Proceeds from last year's festival are also being used for the construction of the fishing pier.

MAY 16 1973 Man is sought for molesting young girls

Police are on the lookout for a man who has been molesting young girls in the Springside Park and St. Charles' School areas.

At least three times in the last week, police said, the man has lured girls of 6 or 7 years of age into isolated areas and molested them.

Detective Capt. Stanley Stankiewicz said a victim saw the man at St. Charles' School again Monday afternoon and informed her father, who went to the school and gave chase to the man, who fled. Five police cruisers combed the area but were unable to find the man, who seems to know the park region well, Stankiewicz said.

From accounts by the victims and the one victim's father, the police have formed a description of the suspect. He is said to be a white male between 18 and 22 years of age, about 5 feet, 8 inches tall, with brown hair to his collar, blue eyes and a face marked by bumps and scars, the result apparently of a skin disease. He wears a dark blue windbreaker and gray or blue pants.

Stankiewicz said the man approaches the girls and asks them if they would help him find a missing watch or ring. He offers them a 20-cent reward if they are successful. The police said none of the girls assaulted has been hospitalized.

MAY 12 1973 Spare that triangle, parks supt. pleads

The Parks Department has issued a call for neighborhood cooperation in keeping children off the Wellesley Park triangle off Pomeroy Avenue.

Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said the "parklet," bounded by Wellesley, Beverly and Andover streets, is for aesthetic purposes and passive recreation, not for ballplaying and the like.

Letters to this effect have been sent to neighborhood residents, Hebert said.

Hole-in-one slated by Civitan Club

A hole-in-one tournament has been scheduled by the Civitan Club for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 6, 7 and 8, at the Springside Park zoo section. Proceeds will go to the Park Department's golf area improvement fund.

The grand prize will be \$100 or merchandise worth that amount. Daily prizes worth \$35 will be awarded.

Ray N. Boudreau is chairman of the event. All Civitan Club members are selling tickets.

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Antipathy to Arlos

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

All the people I've talked to think that Peter Arlos has performed in an outstanding manner on the City Council. I know that the average GE worker, who has a hard, dull job and receives relatively low pay for his efforts, appreciates Councilman Arlos's role as a watchdog of the taxpayer's dollar. Yet *The Eagle* persists in downgrading him. That is why no one is surprised at the barrage of unfair criticism launched against him lately. But none of us was prepared for the new low you have descended to by printing on May 24 an ethnic slur directed at him by a city official who should know better.

I had thought that a responsible organ of public opinion would know better. Or is it your policy to print anything anyone says against Peter Arlos without regard for good taste or fair play? I am personally ashamed that *The Eagle* has provided such a bad example for the youth of Pittsfield whom I am trying to teach the virtues of fair play and tolerance.

GEORGE PELLERIN Sr.
Commissioner
Pittsfield Park Commission
62 Harvard St.
Pittsfield

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MAY 30 1973 Reardon says he would call Stein's 'bluff'

Mayoral candidate Howard K. Reardon said yesterday that, if elected, he would accept Health Commissioner Harold Stein's resignation.

Dr. Stein told the City Council last week that he makes it a practice of submitting his resignation to each incoming mayor. "If he's bluffing," Reardon said, "I'll call his bluff."

"I feel the city of Pittsfield can get along without him," Reardon asserted in a statement. "In fact, the department would probably run better without him. He has too many outside interests on his mind to handle the Health Department to perfection."

Reardon contends that there "is some sort of vendetta" between Dr. Stein and Councilman Peter G. Arlos. Such animosities should stop, he said, because "they just hurt city government."

Park observatory to open tonight

The observatory at Springside Park will open tonight, weather permitting.

If it is cloudy or rainy tonight or other Thursdays the observatory will be open the following Friday. The usual Friday night schedule has been changed this season to Thursday to accommodate staffers Dennis B. Menard of 169 First St. and Bernard Tremblay of 959 North St., both amateur astronomers.

The observatory, open to the public, has an 8-inch reflecting telescope with capacity of some 250 power. The facility opens at dusk.

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Council actions

During a meeting that lasted until 12:20 a.m., the City Council last night:

—Voted to spend \$103,000 to seek underground water supplies in the East Street area.

—Defeated a move to increase Council salaries. The vote was 6-5.

—Set up a special meeting to hear requests for a reduction in the discount for elderly taxi riders and for a taxi-company subsidy so that the half-fares can be continued. Drivers, dissatisfied with the action, planned to strike this morning to dramatize the fact that they're losing money under the new half-fare-for-the-elderly ordinance.

—Unanimously voted to accept a one-acre parcel of land at the end of Wealthy Avenue from Del. P. Virgilio as a potential playground site sought by Councilman Henry V. Marchisio. At the same time, the Park Commission is checking out the possibility of acquiring a 17-acre site in the same area from Joseph Francese.

—Unanimously approved spending \$75,000 to buy a new ladder truck to replace a 1953 fire engine.

—Approved Mayor Butler's recommended \$15,749 revenue-sharing expenditure to help the Berkshire Mental Health Center pay for an executive director and secretary.

—Voted to use another \$5,000 in revenue-sharing funds to expand the city's summer job program for disadvantaged youngsters, as proposed by Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy.

—Allocated another \$31,000 in revenue-sharing money to installation of sewer and water service to the Wild Acres Reservation, as suggested by Councilman Ernest G. St. Peter and Philip J. Tully Jr. In doing so, the Council bypassed a proposal to spend \$16,500 to insure that the jobs of two antipoverty coordinators, working with Assist and the Community Development Corp., will be continued even if the antipoverty agency is phased out by federal action.

—Gave Butler the go-ahead to let a county group called Contact use the city-owned Burgner farmhouse, rent-free, as a home for up to eight boys referred there by the courts. The Council was told they would not be drug cases.

—Endorsed a surprise Butler proposal to use \$16,000 in federal revenue sharing money to hire one guidance counselor to conduct a counseling program at both the Boys' Club and Girls Club. The Boys' Club has conducted what director James Mooney called a successful pilot program.

—Granted initial approval to ordinances that would give city workers negotiated 2.5 per cent cost-of-living pay hikes next January and increase the uniform allowances of city police and medical workers.

—Okayed the taking of a 30-foot-wide strip on the west side of Center Street and demolishing of the houses there, so that the street can be widened.

—Confirmed the appointments of Guy K. Chester to the Pittsfield Housing Authority and Capt. Gerald F. Keehnle as deputy fire chief. Six captains had passed the test, and Keehnle and Capt. Ronald R. Mazzeo, in appeal, had tied with a score of 95. Councilman St. Peter said this was a tribute to the city's educational program for the protective forces, under which the police and firemen are given financial incentives to study at Berkshire Community College.

—Sent to the Ordinances and Rules Committee Councilman Peter G. Arlos's request for a referendum on changing the way vacancies in the Council and School Committee are filled to avoid special elections. He would have the post filled by a defeated candidate.

—Sent to the Planning Board a Historical Commission proposal that 19 streets be named scenic highways to protect trees along them from being cut.

—Voted 6-5 to hold its previously approved public hearing on alternatives to the Route 7 bypass before the state's environmental impact study on the highway is issued, instead of after that report comes out. The Council also voted to ask the state for 30 copies of that report. Both actions were sought by Ms. Murphy. The hearing has been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. next Wednesday, June 20, in the Council chamber.

Mayor asking \$65,000 to buy 20-acre tract

Mayor Butler is asking the City Council to appropriate \$65,000 to buy a 20-acre tract in the Yankee Orchards neighborhood for a combined park and school site.

The land Butler wants to buy is owned by contractor Joseph Francese and is located at the end of Imperial Avenue.

Yankee Orchards, a development off outer East Street, has been seeking a playground for many years, and Butler said they are "entitled" to one.

The Francese land, Butler said, is ideally suited as a site for both the park and a school. The combined use has been endorsed by both the School Committee and the School Building Needs Commission.

The price averages out at about \$3,250 an acre.

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Council, coalition line up for game

The managers of the City Council and Urban Coalition softball teams, both of whom happen to be running for mayor, predicted victory in their 1 p.m. confrontation at Wahconah Park yesterday.

Council President John F. Fraser said he will start on the mound for the City Council, with Mayor Butler on hand for relief duty if necessary.

Others in the Council lineup, Fraser said, will be: Paul Brindle, catcher; Peter Arlos, first base; Parks Supt. Vincent

J. Hebert, second base; Public Works Commissioner Gerald Doyle, shortstop; Asst. Parks Supt. John Marchesi, third base; Philip Tully, left field; Robert F. Jakubowicz, center field; and Henry Marchisio or Ernest G. St. Peter, right field.

Bogdan will pitch for the Urban Coalition, trying for his second win in a less-than-spectacular softball career. He was on the mound when the Coalition defeated the Council 9-8 last year.

Others in the coalition line up

will be: Tony DeAngelo, catcher; Bruce Woodger, shortstop; Gary Lopenzena, first base; Dorothy Bejtlich, second base; James J. Smith, third base; James Williamson, right field; Edgar Buttenheim, left field; and Donald Soule, center field.

On the coalition bench will be Edward Blagdon, Ruth Wood, Leon Siegel, Thomas M. Connolly and Richard Whitehead.

Time limit on the game will be one hour. The contest will precede the Eastern League baseball game between the Pittsfield Rangers and Reading.

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Park Dept. to replace stolen memorial plaque

The Park Department is planning to replace a memorial plaque on Park Square that has apparently been stolen.

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said the plaque in honor of Sgt. Edward J. Burns, the first Pittsfield soldier killed in World War II, has been missing for two years or more.

In a ceremony in 1948, the small bronze plaque was affixed to an imbedded rock at the east end of the park. Today, just the rock and the two drill holes with which the marker was attached

are visible.

The tablet was set in front of an elm tree which was planted in Sgt. Burns's honor in 1945. The elm still stands, but several branches appear dead and the tree itself does not appear to be thriving.

Hebert said the Park Department is trying to have the plaque restruck. He said he had spoken about the situation with members of the American Legion, which sponsored the original plaque and ceremony for Sgt. Burns, a victim of the attack at Pearl Harbor.

Other items stolen

The loss of the plaque was brought to the attention of The Eagle this week by Bartlett Hendricks, science curator of the Berkshire Museum. Hendricks said similar items have suffered the same fate as the Burns Memorial. Two examples, he said, are the Park Square sundial and the plaque for the Edward Howe Forbush Wildlife Sanctuary in Hancock. He said the sanctuary was planning to replace the plaque with an inscription carved into stone.

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Mitchell

ONLY WOMAN IN THE GAME pivots on the first part of a double play in the softball game at Wahconah Park. She is second baseman Dot Bejtlich of Urban Coalition. City Council runner is Philip Tully. Shortstop is James Williamson. City Council won the game, 7-4, rallying to get all of its runs in fifth and sixth innings.

Marchesi, Doyle homer as Council wins by 7-4

By Roger O'Gara

Liniment probably was a best seller today after the City Council's 7-4 win over the Urban Coalition in the second annual softball game between the groups yesterday at Wahconah Park. The councilmen rallied from a deficit of 3-0 to score the last seven runs, getting three in the fifth and four in the sixth.

The somewhat elderly contestants played at a faster pace than the younger professional baseball players who followed them. Muscles ached and wind was short, but the preliminary to the Pittsfield-Reading game stretched to six full innings in the hour that was allotted it.

Back-to-back homers by Director of Recreation John Marchesi and Public Works Commissioner Jerry Doyle highlighted the fruitful sixth for the City Council. Before these two round-trippers off Urban Coalition Director Al Bogdan, Council President John Fraser had himself a well-paced double and Parks and Recreation Director Vin Hebert tripled him home.

Many observers felt Fraser could have made more than his double, but he obviously was saving himself for his remaining pitching and the mayoralty campaign in the fall.

Fraser went the route on the mound for the winners. He was the victim of shabby support in the early innings when the Urban Coalition did its scoring, but he braced nicely and was in control in the last three innings, just as if he were wielding the gavel at a Council meeting.

Gene Lopenzila came on in relief of Bogdan, whose last official act was to congratulate his mound rival and mayoralty opponent, Fraser, with a firm handshake after the final out.

Bruce Woodger of the Urban Coalition suffered a leg injury sliding home early in the game. He was thrown out by third baseman Marchesi, who had cleanly fielded a grounder. The injury was sustained when Councilman Paul Brindle executed a neat block of the plate. Woodger's leg struck his. No one called for Dr. Harold Stein, although Pete Arlos was playing first base for the Council.

Doyle and Brindle led the Council with three hits each. Fraser and Councilman Philip Tully had two apiece.

Jim Smith had a perfect four for four for the Urban Coalition. Leon Siegel and Howard Roberson had two safeties each for the losers.

Edgar Buttenheim looked good in left field for the Urban Coalition.

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\$65,000 voted by Council for Yankee Orchard land

The City Council appropriated \$65,000 Tuesday night for the purchase of some 20 acres for a playground in the Yankee Orchard area. City officials say it may also be a future school site.

The land, owned by contractor Joseph Francese, is situated at the foot of Imperial Avenue, which runs south from East Street.

Only dissenter in the 10-1 vote was Councilman Roy F. Brown.

But Councilman Peter G. Arlos, who voted with the majority, was sharply critical of the price for the land. Arlos said the 20 acres were part of a 37-acre parcel that Francese purchased in "1965 or 1967" for \$25,000.

He called Francese's price "exorbitant" and charged that the contractor is getting a 400 per cent profit.

City Assessors said today their records show the Francese land in two parcels — one of 16 acres and assessed at \$1,100 and one of 17 acres assessed at \$4,500.

Assessors' records show that Francese acquired the land for \$25,200 in June of 1972 from Land Research and Planning, Inc.

Miss Ruth E. Sissman, an assessor, said that valuations of open land throughout the city are far below market value.

But Arlos, in a statement today, called upon the mayor to renegotiate the purchase with Francese.

"The price is an outrage," said Arlos. But he added, "The mayor has the facts now, and I'm sure he'll act responsibly."

Residents of the area have been pressing for a playground for years. And the issue had become a crusade with Ward 3 Councilman Henry V. Marchisio who promised the playground to his constituents.

Second vote to be needed on new parkland

By Richard K. Weil

in 1959.

The City Council's vote of an appropriation order for \$65,000 to purchase 20 acres for a playground in the Yankee Orchard area amounts to no more than an expression of opinion in favor of the transaction.

Mayor Butler and City Solicitor Samuel Landa confirmed today that the land, owned by contractor Joseph Francese, will have to be taken by eminent domain.

Butler said the issue would come before the Council again, probably at the August meeting.

Butler confident

Although a two-thirds majority is required for an eminent-domain proceeding, the mayor said he is confident that the Council will repeat its 10-1 vote of Tuesday.

Under eminent domain the city must hire an appraiser to put a value on the land. The appraiser's price then becomes a ceiling which the city cannot exceed.

If the seller wants more money, he must go to court.

Councilman Peter G. Arlos, criticized the \$65,000 price for the Francese land at the foot of Imperial Avenue as "exorbitant."

Francese told The Eagle yesterday that he would not sell it for less.

Getting the pulse

A number of Council members thought they had voted to purchase the land Tuesday night.

But Butler said, "We never buy things outright." Under eminent domain, he said, the city is protected from "hidden attachment on a deed."

He said he brought the order for \$65,000 before the Council because "I had to get the pulse of the Council somehow, and this was the only way to do it."

Eminent-domain proceedings are required by the City Charter in the case of the Francese land because the asking price exceeds 1.25 per cent of the assessed valuation.

In fact, the valuation of the property is only a tiny percentage of the price.

Earlier sales prices

Assessors' records show that Land Research and Planning, Inc., a corporation controlled by Francese purchased some 34 acres in two parcels for \$21,500

Francese purchased the same land from his corporation for \$25,200 in June of 1972.

A parcel of 16.97 acres, which make up the heart of the proposed park property, has a valuation of \$1,100. The other piece of more than 17 acres is valued at \$4,500, according to the records.

Matter of inflation

Miss Ruth E. Sissman, one of the three assessors, said that vacant land in the city is assessed at far below sale value.

"It's a matter of inflation," she said. People are investing in land and holding it for long periods of time," she said.

Of undeveloped land she said, "We can't assess it at the full market value. It would drive the investors out."

"In addition, assessors must practice equality," she said. "Just because a piece of land is sold today, it would be unfair to bump its valuation and not do the same for a similar piece of land next door."

She said the assessors check all land-sale deeds that are recorded in the Registry of Deeds.

The city underwent a revaluation of buildings and property in 1966.

Meanwhile, Mayor Butler said today he is confident that the appraiser under eminent domain will find the land worth \$65,000.

He said Francese could make a lot of money if he divided the property into building lots.

Reardon criticizes city summer hiring policy

Howard K. Reardon, a candidate for mayor, complained last night that while many needy young people have been turned down for summer jobs by the city, the children of "well-paid" city officials are being hired.

Reardon singled out Sam Slack Jr., son of the city's traffic engineer, and Patrice Whalen, daughter of School Supt. Thomas J. Whalen. Both have been hired by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Reardon, a laborer and equipment operator for the Park Department, knows firsthand about Slack, who was taken on as laborer almost two weeks ago. They work together.

Reardon read about Miss Whalen's appointment in The Eagle this week. She is a supervisor of arts and crafts and this is her second year working for the Park Department.

Reardon said that Slack's ap-

pointment appears to be a "swap." He said that in the summer of 1971, Douglas Hebert, son of Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, was a summer employee of Slack's traffic department.

Reardon said that the traffic engineer's salary is between \$16,000 and \$17,000 and Dr. Whalen's is \$30,000.

"There are other families in the city whose children are going to college or have graduated from high school and who need the work," Reardon observed, "but do not have a superintendent of schools or a city traffic engineer going to bat for them."

JUN 30 1973
Arlos urges study of use of old landfill property

City Councilman Peter G. Arlos said Friday he is going to ask for a study of possible uses of the city's abandoned landfill area as an alternative to paying an "exorbitant" price for a park in the Yankee Orchard section.

"If city officials had used some imagination in long-range planning for the landfill area," Arlos charged, "a portion of the more than 100 acres could have made a beautiful park, and the \$65,000 presently being asked for land in that area could be used to equip the park with the most modern equipment and facilities."

Price defended

Both Mayor Donald G. Butler and Assessor Ruth Sisman have defended the price being offered to Joseph Francese, owner of the parcel. Both contend that development of the land into building lots could raise the price to as much as \$240,000.

The mayor also conceded that the price voted on by the Council may be academic since law requires that the city institute eminent-domain proceedings if the price of the land exceeds its assessed valuation by more than 125 per cent.

Arlos said he will file a petition with the City Council asking that a study be made for the long-range municipal use of the landfill area.

"It's too valuable to allow the land to remain unutilized and abandoned," he said.

He pointed out that Philadelphia was able to use its dump for an airport and a Long Island community has built a golf course on its exhausted landfill. He said other progressive cities are also using landfill for municipal purposes, and "yet Pittsfield continues to neglect this valuable area."

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Dunham Mall fountain to resume next week

The fountain in the Dunham Street Mall should begin operating early next week, Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said today.

Asked why it hadn't been operating earlier this year, Hebert said the department has been "flat out" getting parks and playgrounds in shape.

The fountain has just been repainted, Hebert said, and if all goes well, water should begin to flow early next week.

Last year too, repairs kept the fountain from starting until early July. It has now been off since last fall.

Reardon suggests muster be held on First St. Common

Mayoral candidate Howard K. Reardon suggests that the firemen's muster be held on the Common on First Street from now on.

This would eliminate the flooding and mosquito problems that plague the present site, Wahconah Park, he said.

With parking across the street from the Common and facilities available in the adjoining School Department building, Reardon views the Common as an ideal site.

Following the muster, which includes a carnival, Reardon said the grass would probably have to be reseeded. But he said this should prove less costly than preparing the Wahconah grounds.

JUL 5 1973

Fraser suggests rink for new mall

City Council President John F. Fraser suggests that a skating rink could be incorporated as part of the pedestrian mall being built at the corner of Columbus Avenue and North Street.

The councilman is calling for a study so the mall could be designed to accommodate that feature.

Fraser is also asking the Council for a study of weed control in Pontoosuc Lake. The county undertook weed control there in 1970 and 1971. But there have been new complaints about weeds on the west shore and north end of the lake this summer.

JUL 5 1973

Concert planned at Columbia Arms

A band concert will be held Sunday at 2 to 3:45 p.m. on the grounds of the Columbia Arms on Columbus Ave.

The concert, to be given by the American Legion Eagles band, was arranged by the Department of Parks and Recreation in cooperation with Local 109 of the American Federation of Music.

JUL 13 1973

JUL 7 1973
Ms. Murphy asks realtor committee on Yankee land

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy is proposing that the mayor appoint a committee of realtors to determine whether \$65,000 is a fair price for the Joseph Francese property the city plans to buy in the Yankee Orchard district.

Some real estate people, she said, have told her that price, which Mayor Butler says is not definite, is too high.

Butler and the Council want the land for a park and future school site. The cost, if it is set at \$65,000 by an appraiser to be hired by the city, would be \$3,250 an acre.

"The price is not so wild," Butler said yesterday. "when its development potential is considered."

He said Assessor Emil Metrople told him the 20 acres could be divided into 60 building lots that would sell for about \$4,300 each for a total of \$258,000, over \$12,000 an acre. The cost of putting in a road would have to be subtracted from that figure to arrive at the potential value; Butler said.

JUL 11 1973
Park planners visit facility for handicapped

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert and a number of other local residents visited New York State yesterday to pick up pointers on how Burbank park can be planned to adequately serve the physically handicapped.

Four of the people making the trip to Grafton Lakes State Park were members of Let Us Be Independent (LUBI), an organization that represents the handicapped in the Pittsfield area. They are Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Howard of 64 Baldwin Ave. and Mr. and Mrs. James W. Wagstaff of 53 Rhode Island Ave.

Hebert said Joseph McGrath of the engineering firm planning Burbank Park, Conservation Commission Chairman Franklin Controy and Mrs. Controy also made the trip.

Hebert said Grafton park was "exemplary" in its planning for handicapped people.

He said plans for the development of Burbank Park will include picnic tables and water fountains that can easily be used by people in wheelchairs, toilet facilities for the handicapped, and various ramps and rails that will give the handicapped easy access to swimming and fishing areas.

JUL 18 1973
Arlos proposes limit on drinking in parks, on streets

City Councilman Peter G. Arlos is proposing an ordinance to ban drinking on public streets, sidewalks and parks, except for picnic areas.

"It is not only unsightly but bad for Pittsfield, as a tourist area, to have people drinking on the street and discarding their empty containers as the mood hits them," Arlos said.

People have a right to "clean and orderly" streets, the at-large councilman said. Beer cans and liquor bottles discarded in streets and parks are creating a litter problem, he said.

"Anyone who has walked on North Street in the vicinity of Eagle Street who looks over the bridge and sees an actual dump being created on the city's main street will agree with the need to ban drinking on public streets," Arlos said.

He also said the ordinance would be needed to protect the pedestrian mall being created at the corner of North Street and Columbus Avenue.

JUL 31 1973
Two fires being probed

The Fire Department has called in the state fire marshal's office in the investigation of two fires last weekend in structures belonging to the Park Department.

At 4:27 a.m. Saturday, firemen were notified of a blaze at a barn at 178 Longview Ter. The barn is on the Ferdinand Alessio farm but is owned by the city. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said the fire was extinguished by a neighbor before it was able to cause serious damage to the building, which is used in the winter to store material for Brattlebrook Park.

The fire at the Osceola Park playground building did more damage, however, Hebert said. The superintendent said it would cost \$300 to \$500 to repair damage to a window and the roof.

Firemen said they detected an odor of gasoline at the site of the Brattlebrook barn fire. A neighbor reported hearing and seeing a car drive away just as the fire was starting, firemen said.

AUG 21 1973
Hebert rules out rink at new mall

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert says he has concluded it would not be feasible to install an ice skating rink on the pedestrian mall nearing completion at the corner of North Street and Columbus Avenue.

The rink had been suggested by Council President John F. Fraser, who had viewed it as a downtown attraction.

Hebert said this decision was reached in consultation with William E. Flynn, assistant director of the mall-sponsoring Pittsfield Housing Authority, and the project's engineers, Anderson-Nichols of Boston.

Judge to ban muster carnival if police aren't added in '74

JUL 14 1973

After finding four youths guilty in the Firemen's Muster fracas June 30, Judge Frank W. Cimini in District Court Friday said no permit for the Wahconah Park carnival should be issued next year unless there is greater police protection.

"I will personally see to it next year that there's no permit for this brawl (the muster carnival) unless they have at least 15 to 20 policemen there. This I promise," he said.

Judge Cimini made the remarks after hearing testimony in the cases of two young men, adults, and three juvenile boys. The three juveniles and one of the adults were charged with both disturbing the peace and assault and battery on a police officer. One adult was charged with just disturbing the peace.

Police assaulted

In the testimony, police witnesses and the defendants said a crowd of some 200 gathered at the scene of a fight between two young men. When three police officers arrived and tried to stop the fight, they reported they were assaulted by about 15 of the onlookers and one of the two fighters.

Officers Albert K. Hubbard

and Cosmo Spezzaferro were treated and released at Pittsfield General unit, BMC, after being kicked and punched in the groin, face and knees.

The police and the defendants testified that except for a few firemen working at the carnival, there was no attempt by any of the 200 onlookers, many of whom were adults, to assist Hubbard, Spezzaferro and Officer Raymond Shogry. Before the melee was quelled, the entire squad on duty at the time was called in.

"I've been sitting here 13 years, and I've never seen a

case where police took it as personally as in this one," said Judge Cimini in expressing his disapproval of the muster crowd behavior.

The crowd watched

Atty. Leonard H. Cohen, who represented one of the adult defendants, said, "The most horrendous thing about this case is that three police officers stood there and had to take this while everybody else stood around thumbing their noses."

Atty. John J. Martin brought out in his questioning of the officers and of his juvenile client

that the mood of the audience was jovial while the police were being showered with blows, mud and abusive language. His client, a 16-year-old, said it no longer struck him as funny.

Atty. Cohen said he had the impression that adults actually "egged on" some of the youthful attackers.

Suspended sentences

The three juveniles, who were 14, 15 and 16, were all adjudicated delinquents and committed to the Division of Youth Services. The commitment was suspended and they were placed on probation for two years.

One of the juveniles said he was not at the fight and did not strike one of the officers, as was claimed by a second officer. He appealed his adjudication.

Rodney Pelkey, 20, of Dalton was given a three-month suspended sentence and placed on probation for two years for assault and battery on a police officer. A charge against him of disturbing the peace was filed.

A charge of disturbing the peace against Michael Collins, 17, of 82 McArthur St. was continued until Dec. 28. Collins, who was defended by Atty. John F. Shea, said he was arrested after not moving quickly enough away from the scene. The youths were ordered to make restitution of \$129.50 of police gear damaged in the brawl.

Pelkey was represented by Atty. Cohen, Martin and Public Defender Andrew T. Campoli handled the defense of the three juveniles.

Ms. Murphy to oppose Francese land purchase

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy said last night that she will vote against a proposed taking of 20 acres off outer East Street for park purposes because the proposed price, \$65,000, is "too much."

Mayor Butler said he intends to file an order next month calling for the taking at the \$65,000 price.

The land is part of a 37-acre

tract owned by Joseph Francese, contractor. It is at the end of Imperial Avenue.

The councilwoman said that Francese paid \$25,000 for the whole 37 acres, and he is asking the city to pay \$65,000 for 20 of them.

A taking by eminent domain calls for an affirmative vote of eight, or two-thirds of the 11 members of the City Council.

The City Campaign

AUG 22 1973

Park, open-space plan is outlined by Bogdan

Mayoral candidate Albert A. Bogdan today outlined his program for park development and open space preservation.

"We have an obligation to our community to protect and properly develop our open areas," Bogdan said in a campaign statement. The city, he said, must develop recreational facilities "readily available to all of the people in Pittsfield."

The candidate said most of the land involved in his development program is already owned by the city. If the city undertakes a comprehensive program, he said, half the cost can be paid by the state Department of Natural Resources.

The program's points

The program, as set forth today, consists of:

—Preserving the "scenic southerly entrance into Pittsfield."

—Completing development of the Wild Acres reservation off South Mountain Road.

—Initiating a systematic development of small neighborhood parks throughout the city, utilizing school property such as land at Stearns and Pontoosuc schools and vacant lots.

—Development of two neighborhood parks within the Brattlebrook Farm property. One would be near the present farmhouse in the Lakewood section and the other off Maple Grove Drive.

—Development of parks in the Williams Street, Yankee Orchard and Lucia Drive neighborhoods.

—Undertaking a "serious review . . . to limit the use of motorized boats on both Onota and Pontoosuc lakes, with emphasis on reducing water pollution by outboard motors."

Reardon urges longer program on playgrounds

Howard K. Reardon, a candidate for mayor, said today that the city should keep its playgrounds open two weeks longer and leave playground equipment up until the weather turns bad.

Reardon, a laborer with the Park Department and municipal union president, said that the summer park programs instead of having closed down last Friday should remain open until the Friday before Labor Day.

By closing early, he said, "the kids have two weeks with nothing to do and they can get into trouble."

He said he thinks the youngsters are entitled to the additional two weeks and that he would initiate such a continuation as mayor.

In addition, Reardon said he would have playground equipment set up until the weather turned bad so that it could be used by youngsters after the park program closes.

In some playgrounds, he said, the equipment has already been taken down by the Park Department.

State, city confer on East St. changes

JUL 27 1973

By Grier Horner

The state is bringing a substantial number of city officials into the early planning stages of reconstruction of East Street between Park Square and the East-Elm-Fourth intersection.

State District Highway Engineer Dean P. Amidon said his office is seeking "broadened community input" prior to design.

The objective is to come up with plans that, by incorporating as many local suggestions as possible, will win wide local acceptance.

Meeting yesterday

A number of city officials and state engineers met on East Street yesterday afternoon.

They unfurled the lengthy initial plans — drawn by the city's Public Works Department — on the sidewalk in front of the courthouse. Later they walked along East Street to Pittsfield High School to take a firsthand look at what trees would be affected and what other changes would be made under the city version.

Only one of the flowering crab trees in the center strip would be lost and two elms on the south side of East Street.

But they said the crab could be replanted in the island to replace a tree that wasn't doing well. And one of the elms, in front of the high school, they said, looked as if it were in decline.

The other elm, at the corner of Bartlett Avenue, looks healthy but in the officials' view does not look much like an elm. As a result the state men took a

leaf back to the office to check out its species.

'Everything saved'

City Shade Tree Commission Chairman Kingsley R. Fall after the tour said, "It seems to me that everything has been saved that's worth saving."

City Public Works Commissioner Gerald S. Doyle briefed officials from the Shade Tree and Conservation commissions, Park Department and Planning Board on his version of the plan. Police, fire, traffic and school officials are also being consulted by the state.

The version under discussion, however, is not necessarily the one the state will eventually adopt for the state and federally financed roadwork.

Joseph J. Condon, the state engineer in charge of this project's design, said that several alternatives will be drawn by the state before a final plan is decided on. He said he was not sure when the project would be ready for construction, but it would not be this year.

Proposal's features

Features of Doyle's proposal are:

—Pairing Pomeroy and Bartlett avenues as one-way streets — Bartlett southbound and Pomeroy northbound, reversing Pomeroy's current one-way direction.

—Retention of the center islands with their handsome flowering crabs.

—Extension of the island from First Street almost to Park Square. This, teamed with realigning the eastbound lane so it cuts across the western corner of the courthouse lawn, is aimed at reducing congestion between the park and First Street.

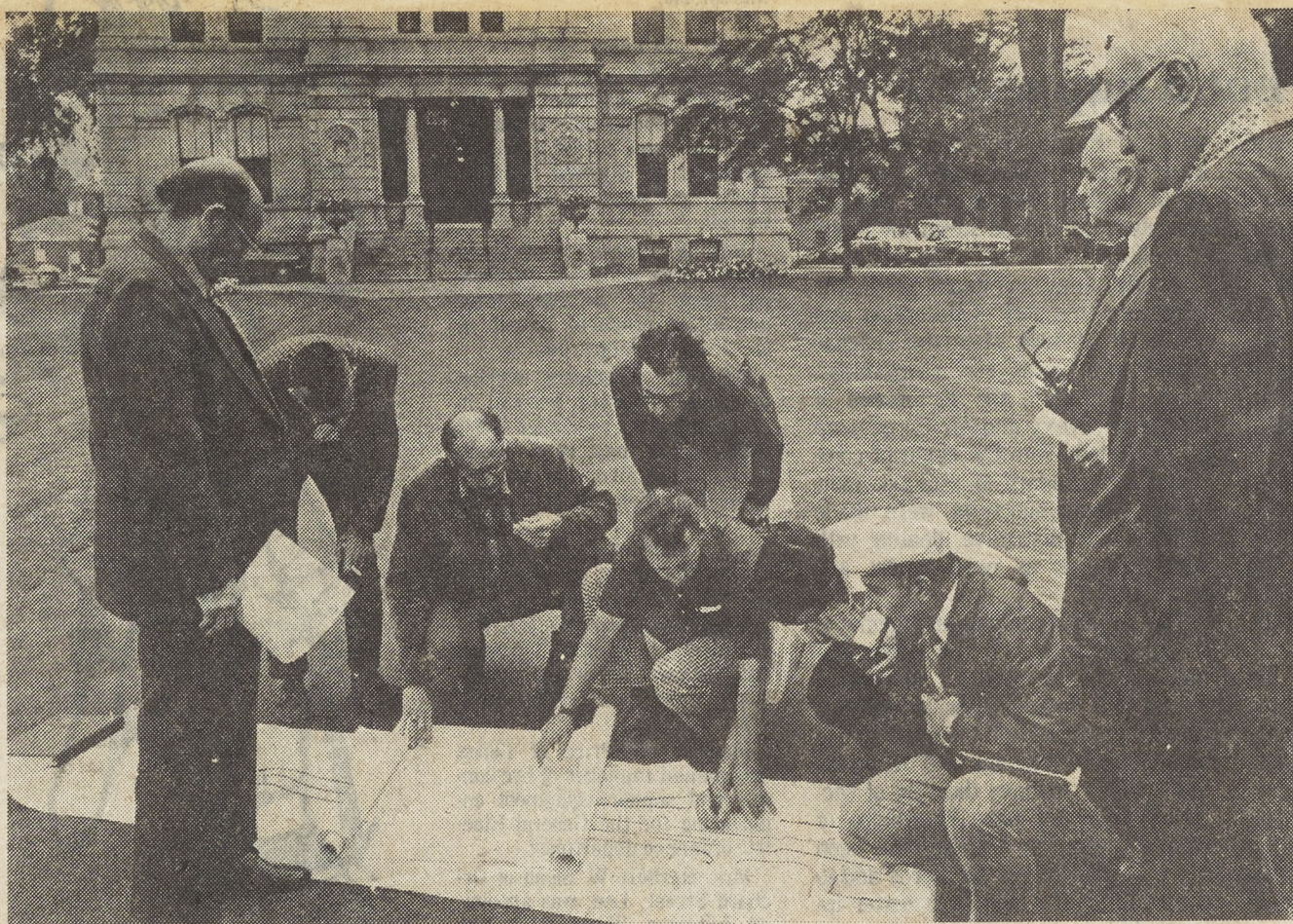
—Creation of several stacking lanes to eliminate turn congestion.

Amidon said local officials have been brought into the advance planning stages in the past but never before in such number.

Since the 1960s, he said, the office has worked on city projects with a transportation coordinating committee, which included representatives of city and county planning boards and the city traffic commission.

The state, he said, is now trying to involve a large number of participants at the local level.

He said he hoped by taking the process "one step further" the controversy that almost inevitably surrounds any road project will be reduced.



GROUND-LEVEL PLANNING for East Street brings city and state officials together. From left, city planner Boris Stahm, Tree Commissioner Kingsley Fall, state engineer Lee Stern, city DPW Commissioner Ger-

ald Doyle, state engineer Joseph Condon (in rear), city engineer Jerry Chaiffre, state landscape engineer William Litty, Park Commissioner Vincent Hebert, conservation head Franklin Controy.

AUG 10 1973 In Brief...

Yesterday's announcement that the Litchfield Preparatory School will move to the Borden/Lenox campus this fall has transformed what looked like a possibly hopeless situation into a distinctly promising one. With a distinguished board of trustees, a talented young headmaster, and a bank account that is apparently in solid shape, the Connecticut group would appear well equipped to put one of the area's choicest properties to continued educational use on an economically stable basis.

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While there's no question about the urgency of providing more downtown parking in anticipation of the temporary shortage that will be created by construction of the Nutman urban renewal development, Mayor Butler's proposal to use Pittsfield Common for this purpose probably isn't the right answer, for legal reasons if nothing else. Last time the idea of parking cars on the Common was proposed, back in the Capeless years, a city solicitor's title search indicated that restrictions placed on the land back in the 19th century strictly forbid its use for any non-park purposes whatsoever.

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Concert tonight at Rose Manor

The American Legion Eagles Band will play at Rose Manor this evening from 6:30 to 8. The concert will include selections from Gilbert and Sullivan's "HMS Pinafore," a medley of John Phillip Sousa's marches, and other traditional march and contemporary music.

The band will be under the direction of Prof. David Gruender. The concert will be sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation under a grant by the United Artists and Trust Fund, Local 109 of the Musicians Union.

AUG 28 1973

AUG 31 1973 Bids higher than expected on fish pier

Bids for construction of a fishing pier at Burbank Park on Onota Lake have come in higher than expected.

The Renau Construction Co. offered to build the facility for \$18,857. The Petricca Construction Co. bid more than twice that — \$40,655.

The Park Commission has taken the bids under advisement.

The Rotary is expected to donate about \$8,000 for the pier. But the city has not budgeted any additional money for the project.

Beaches close; '73 attendance doubled '72's

The Department of Parks and Recreation said today that the public beaches at Onota and Pontoosuc lakes closed for the season yesterday and lifeguards will no longer be on duty.

Attendance for this year at the two beaches and the wading pools at Crane and Springside was 130,079, as compared to 54,643 during last year's cool, wet season. The playgrounds, which closed on Aug. 17 had an attendance of 69,920, which was down from 79,745 last year. The drop in playground attendance was attributed in part by park officials to the closing of Coolidge Playground for the summer and to the unusually long hot spell, which sent scores of children to the nearest lake or pool.

SEP 4 1973

SEP 21 1973 Park board has meeting

The Park Commission took the following action at a meeting Monday night:

—Agreed to study the possibility of enlarging the Lebanon Avenue playground in response to a petition from residents.

—Agreed to study the possibility of joint city-General Electric Athletic Association use of the GEAA softball field, with the city chipping in on certain improvements to the field.

—Heard a recommendation from Supt. Vincent J. Hebert that the following be considered for appointment to an advisory committee to the mayor and City Council on the operation and management of Onota Lake:

Albert I. Ris, Henry A. Maces, Richard S. Jackson, Robert W. Rose, Fred T. Francis, Maurice C. Corrinet, Carl E. Peaslee, Leo M. Daly of the Fish and Game Department and William G. Allard of the Department of Public Works.

A member appointed by the Conservation Commission and the Park Commission would also be on the committee.

SEP 26 1973 Hebert seeks funds for pier, ramp

Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert met yesterday in Boston with the Massachusetts Public Access Board to seek some \$12,000 for a fishing pier and boat ramp at Onota Lake.

The Rotary Club raised some \$8,000 for the pier and ramp in two fund-raising campaigns. But bids, says Hebert, came in at nearly \$20,000.

The Public Access Board "reacted favorably," Hebert said, but it took the request under advisement.

At yesterday's meeting with Hebert were Rep. Joseph S. Scelsi, who set up the session, and Robert B. Deloye engineer on the project.

OCT 3 1973 United Way gets okay for Park Square sign

The Park Commission last night granted approval to United Way of Berkshire County, Inc., to erect a fund-drive indicator in Park Square.

Robert Rose, the drive's promotional chairman, said the

sign will be placed early next week.

The actual barometer of the \$700,000 campaign goal will be a magician's hat, referring to the drive's slogan: "The United Way, plus your fair-share gift, equals the magic of a better way of life," Rose said.

Other business

In other business last night, the Park commission:

—Received a letter from Ward 4 Councilman Robert F. Jakubowicz requesting that more tennis courts be built at South Junior High School. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert agreed to discuss the request with school authorities.

—Agreed to a request by Mrs. June E. Rubin, executive director of the Girls Club, that a youth counselor be employed in the Park Department's summer program.

—Held a joint meeting with the Conservation Commission on the subject of the proposed boat ramp and fishing pier in Burbank Park on Onota Lake. Representatives of both commissions will discuss the plans here Oct. 12 with the state Public Access Board.

OCT 2 1973 Health Dept. nurses receive pay raise

Pittsfield's Health Department nurses have won a \$1,229 pay raise that will bring their top pay to \$9,610.

They had sought the increase outside of collective-bargaining channels on the contention that the 5 per cent they won through negotiations did not bring them to the level of nurses at the hospitals here.

The City Council at a special meeting Saturday approved the nurses' pay hike. It also granted a \$25-a-week raise for the supervisor of the police and fire signal system, Paul M. Leon, bringing his pay to \$247 a week. Increases were also approved for one working foreman and the three fire telephone operators.

Arlos seeks early action on Yankee Orchard land

City Councilman Peter G. Arlos is calling for immediate action to take a 20-acre tract the mayor and Council approved in June for a park in the Yankee Orchard neighborhood.

In a petition to the Council, Arlos is calling for a vote requesting Mayor Butler to initiate eminent-domain proceedings immediately so the land can be acquired by the city.

Butler in June voiced hopes the city could take the land in August. But he said today the city has been unable to draft the eminent-domain proceedings yet because of a heavy workload in the city solicitor's office.

Survey needed

The taking will be placed before the Council as soon as Asst. City Solicitor Arnold L. Rose gets time, Butler said. Rose currently is working on the eminent-domain taking by which the city will acquire a site for the Morningside community school, the mayor said. In addition, Butler said, city engineers have to establish the boundaries of the tract by taking a survey.

No appraisal will be needed, Butler went on, because the Council's 10-1 June vote established the taking price at \$65,000. The land is owned by contractor Joseph Francese.

Butler accused Arlos of spend-

ing more attention on getting his name in the paper than attending to Council business.

Arlos said, "The fact is that the mayor indicated he would act by August and the Council overwhelmingly supported the purchase. This amounts to a commitment which we cannot ignore without creating cynicism and alienation among the people."

OCT 16 1973

OCT 10 1973 Onota Lake, Richmond Pond on weed-control list

Richmond Pond and Onota Lake have been placed on the state Department of Public Health's 1974 priority list for weed-control programs.

But the state has indicated that Pittsfield will have to pay an undisclosed share of the cost and has asked Mayor Butler how much money the city has available for these projects.

OCT 18 1973

Public meeting Friday on drive on lake weeds

The County Commissioners are sponsoring a public meeting Friday on aquatic weed-harvesting machinery. They want to see if there is public support for purchase of such equipment for Berkshire County.

But one of the commissioners says that if public interest is no greater than currently indicated, he will not press the issue further.

The meeting will be at 8 p.m. at the Berkshire County Courthouse in Pittsfield. Commissioner John J. Pignatelli Jr. of Lenox, who has been trying to drum up interest among county communities, says there will be a movie, a talk and a period for questions.

To describe equipment

Scheduled to describe the equipment is David Haswell of Process Research, Inc., a Boston area company that owns a weed harvester and is doing work on weed control for some communities in the Metropolitan District around Boston.

Pignatelli said he would like to see residents who live on the

shores of Berkshire ponds and lakes attend, as well as community officials. "But if there's no interest, this is as far as I'll go," he said.

Pignatelli had invited county commissioners from neighboring counties to attend the meeting on the assumption that they would be interested in possible joint purchase of a weed harvester.

"I haven't heard anything from the other counties," he said Tuesday.

Pignatelli said growth of weeds in lakes, particularly resort lakes bordered by dwellings, has become detrimental to recreation and esthetics and is costing towns and the state increasing sums for chemical control.

One manufacturer's price for a weed harvester and supporting equipment is \$59,583.

Local boy, 15, badly burned in Brattlebrook tower climb

Edward J. Puskey Jr., 15, of 165 Harryel St., was listed in fair condition in St. Luke's unit, BMC, after suffering severe burns in an electrical accident in Brattlebrook Park yesterday. He is in intensive care with second-degree burns covering approximately 30 per cent of his body.

The accident occurred at 10:45 a.m. as Puskey apparently made contact with high-voltage wires on an electrical tower and then fell 40 feet to the ground. It was the second such accident in the area in two years. In 1971, Stephen F. Evans, then 13, of 143 Draper Ave. was similarly injured on a tower directly beside the scene of yesterday's accident.

Clothes burned

Police said that Puskey was playing in the area with 14-year-old David Rice of 29 Bushy Road. Rice ran for help immediately after the accident, according to police.

Joseph Yon, 47, of nearby 157 Maple Grove Drive was first to arrive at the tower where he said he found Puskey lying unconscious and badly burned. Police who arrived with an ambulance at about 11, reported that the boy's sweater and shirt had been burned away.

Bart Barry, county manager for Western Mass. Electric Co. (WMEC), estimated that Puskey was subjected to a shock of 14,000 volts, an amount which could "very easily have killed him." Barry ascribed the boy's survival to the fact that he "for-

tunately must have made only a brief contact" with the wire.

The electrical towers running through the former Brattlebrook Farm area carry three wires. Had Puskey made contact with two of them simultaneously, instead of only one, he would have received a 22,000-volt shock, Barry explained.

Barry said that WMEC has taken considerable precautions to guard against such accidents. "But," he added, "I'm afraid there's no answer to the problem."

Electrical towers in a nearby clearing have been surrounded by barbed wire and all towers are posted with ominously-worded signs cautioning any would-be climber. However "there's no way to make these towers completely unsusceptible to climbing," commented Barry.

"Children are always tempted to climb over fences." Ironically, yesterday's accident occurred just as WMEC was completing a week-long safety drive in Berkshire County public schools.

20—The Berkshire Eagle, Wednesday, Oct. 10, 1973



Paul Rocheleau

INVESTIGATION is being asked by Councilwoman Mary Murphy in the wake of the second serious accident involving a boy climbing a high-voltage tower at Brattlebrook Park. Ms. Murphy contends city has not taken adequate safety precautions. She is shown here with two of the towers at the park. The tower on the right is the one from which Michael Puskey Jr., 15, fell Friday after suffering shock, burns.

OCT 11 1973

Observatory open on Thursdays through October

The Department of Parks and Recreation announced today that the observatory in Spring-side Park will remain open through October, weather permitting.

The observatory is open every Thursday evening at dusk under the supervision of Bernard Tremblay. There is no charge to visit the observatory and the supervisor is available to point out stars and constellations visible this season.

In case of poor weather or poor visibility, the observatory will be open on Saturday evenings instead of Thursday.

The Berkshire Eagle, Tuesday, Oct. 9, 1973— 15

Probe is sought in wake of injury to Puskey boy

Charging the city with negligence in its maintenance of Brattlebrook Park, Councilwoman Mary Murphy yesterday announced that she will petition the City Council to investigate last Friday's accident there in which a 15-year-old boy was severely burned.

Michael Puskey Jr. of 165 Harryel St. was rushed to St. Luke's unit, BMC, Friday afternoon after apparently making contact with a 14,000-volt wire and then falling 40 feet from an electrical tower.

Puskey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Puskey, was still listed in fair condition today with second-degree burns covering 30 per cent of his body. Hospital officials said he has not yet left the intensive-care unit.

One of the more unsettling aspects of the accident and, for Ms. Murphy, the principal reason for calling for an investigation is that the park was the scene of a similar mishap two years ago almost to the day. On Oct. 4, 1971, then 13-year-old Stephen F. Evans of 143 Draper Ave. was critically injured when he entered the electrical field of, and fell from a tower directly beside the scene of last week's accident.

Yesterday Ms. Murphy criticized the city and the Park Commission for failing to install barbed-wire fencing around all of the towers, for allegedly failing to post enough signs around

the towers and for permitting motorcyclists to ride through the park. According to her, the motorcycles have exposed buried pipelines which she said "might be" gas lines, thereby creating a "really hazardous situation."

The Berkshire Eagle, Friday, Oct. 19, 1973— 15

Council committee nixes plan for fencing electric towers

The City Council's Public Safety Committee last night turned down a petition brought by its chairman, Mary Murphy, to install barbed-wire fencing around electrical towers in Brattlebrook Park — the scene of two serious accidents in the last two years.

Ms. Murphy was outvoted 2-1 on the measure, which was referred back to the City Council to be filed. Henry V. Marchisio and Roy F. Brown cast the two negative votes.

At the same time, however, Ms. Murphy won assurances that two other alleged safety hazards in the park would be looked into and, if necessary, remedied.

Charging the city with negligence in its maintenance of the park, she had claimed last week

that the towers were inadequately posted and that isolated patches of quicksand, exposed sections of gas pipe and the use of the area by trail bikes all posed potential dangers to children.

To replace signs

At last night's 7:30 meeting, spokesmen for Western Mass. Electric Co. said they would replace any missing signs, and Supt. Vincent J. Hebert of the Department of Parks and Recreation promised that his agency would investigate the other problems.

Last night's meeting in the Council chambers came in the wake of the most recent electrical accident at Brattlebrook Park. Two weeks ago Edward J. Puskey Jr., 15, suffered second-

degree burns on 30 per cent of his body after he apparently made contact with a 14,000 volt wire on one of the 40-foot-high towers.

Almost two years earlier to the day, then 13-year-old Stephen F. Evans was seriously injured when he climbed a tower directly beside the one on which Puskey was hurt.

Parents of both the children declined an invitation to attend last night's meeting.

OCT 16 1973
10 Years Ago

Physical-fitness leadership awards were presented by the Pittsfield Junior Chamber of Commerce to Irwin E. "Doc" Brent, YMCA physical-education director, and John C. Marchesi, supervisor of recreation for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

OCT 20 1973
Tagliente backs park proposal

George M. Tagliente, a candidate for councilman at-large, Friday voiced strong support for the proposed park in the Yankee Orchard neighborhood off Outer East Street.

"If this City Council is not successful in bringing this much-needed park to reality," Tagliente said, "if elected I will support and work for immediate action."

"The children of this area," he said, "should be given the same privilege of have a playground as children in other areas of the city."

OCT 23 1973
Arlos opposes \$65,000 cost for parkland

City Councilman Peter G. Arlos is asking that the Council rescind its approval of paying \$65,000 for proposed parkland in the Yankee Orchard neighborhood.

Arlos contends that the 20 acres are overpriced. "No raw, undeveloped land, especially a back lot, has ever brought more than \$1,072 an acre in the city of Pittsfield," Arlos says.

The price the Council agreed to, at Mayor Butler's suggestion last June, amounts to \$3,250 an acre. The vote then was 10-1 in favor, with Arlos opposed. The councilman is now calling for an independent appraisal to establish the value of the land, which is owned by contractor Joseph Francese.

Earlier this week Arlos called on Butler to speed up land-taking procedures to obtain the land quickly. Arlos said Thursday an appraisal is standard procedure and would not delay the acquisition.

OCT 25 1973
19 drawn to sit on traverse jury

The names of 19 residents were drawn by the City Council Tuesday for service on a traverse jury to sit at the Berkshire County Superior Court session starting the first Monday in December.

Those drawn were: Roger L. Beaulieu, 16 Taylor St.; Donna K. Carpenter, 189 Dalton Ave.; Sophie M. Boldyga, 53 Maple Grove Drive; Simeon L. Bellanger, 474 Tyler St.; Frank Sangiovanni, 7 Emerson Ave.; Evelyn A. Gerhardt, 112 Wahconah St.; Wendell K. Frederick, 99 Broadway; Charles M. Hinkley, 296 Hancock Road, and John A. Reddy, 22 Second St.

Also: Harold B. Dellert, 79 Sheffield St.; Gilbert B. Miller, 103 Dickinson Ave.; Marjorie H. Curran, 12 Sherrill Ave.; Santina B. Janas, 189 Benedict Road; John J. Hogan, 86 Orlando Ave.; Sally J. Holroyd, 59 Waubeek Road; John J. Quinn, 116 Connecticut Ave.; Vincent J. Hebert, 874 North St.; Amelia M. Kellar, 933 North St.; and Howard M. Bornak, 24 Grove St.

NOV 6 1973
Christmas lights at park to be on short schedule

Pittsfield will not be completely devoid of Christmas lights this year.

The Park Commission voted last night to illuminate the traditional tree and creche in Park Square on a reduced schedule.

On the recommendation of Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, the commission agreed to have the Christmas decorations lighted from 5 to 10 p.m. instead of the usual 4:30 to midnight, and until 1 a.m. Christmas morning.

The Downtown Association voted last week not to light the traditional Christmas lights along North Street after the Western Mass. Electric Co. announced it would not help finance the project.

"My feeling," Hebert said this morning, "is that we might as well have one place in town with the traditional Christmas lights and Park Square seems the most appropriate. The amount of electricity used will be negligible."

Greenhouse to be used

The Park Commission also agreed to let the Springside Greenhouse Group buy the oil in order to use the park's greenhouse this winter. The commis-

sion was going to close down the greenhouse as part of the city's energy-conservation program.

Besides buying the oil itself, the Greenhouse Group will maintain a 48-degree temperature inside and continue to run winter programs there, Hebert said.

In other business last night, the commission:

—Met with representatives of Western Mass. Electric Co., who said a safety-program was started yesterday for public and parochial 4th and 5th graders. The program in safety, first given two years ago, will be run every other year in hopes of discouraging youngsters from fooling with utility equipment. There have been two serious electric-shock accidents within a year on electric towers near Brattlebrook Park.

—Authorized Hebert to study with the Department of Public Works means of improving the traffic flow in and out of Brattlebrook. Councilman Henry V. Marchisio petitioned for this action.

—Authorized Hebert to begin studying which of the city's parks could accommodate tennis courts.

NOV 13 1973
City still looking for Christmas tree

Pittsfield is still looking for a Christmas tree for Park Square.

Vincent J. Hebert, Park Department superintendent, is asking for the donation of an evergreen, preferably a spruce, that is 40 to 50 feet tall and well-shaped.

The city will cut the tree and erect it in Park Square later this month. People who have trees to donate are asked to call the Park Department.

Shelter vandalized at Springside Park

Vandals ransacked a playground shelter at Springside Park last night, causing extensive damage and stealing a wall thermostat, according to police.

Police said the incident, which apparently occurred at about 8, is under investigation.

No estimate of the amount of damage was available, but Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of the Department of Parks and Recreation described it as "extensive."

The vandals — presumably youths — broke 28 windows, several locks and an electricity meter before leaving with the thermostat control, Hebert said.

NOV 20 1973
WMEC asked to fence more towers

The Park Commission is requesting Western Mass. Electric Co. to take additional safety measures on its electric towers near Brattlebrook Park.

The commission agreed at a meeting last night to ask the utility to erect barbed wire on all the towers near the park, where two serious electric-shock accidents have occurred within a year.

At present only the towers within the park itself have barbed wire, according to Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert. "We want wire on the ones flanking the park as well," he said.

In other business last night, the Park Commission, agreed to a request from Richard S. Jackson, secretary of the Onota Rowing Club, and George Marcus, coach of the Williams College women's crew, to hold the New England Women's Racing Championships on Onota Lake May 11 and 12. Hebert said the group will now make a bid to the rowing authority to hold the regatta here.

NOV 21 1973
Four juveniles fined \$20 for park vandalism

Four juveniles apprehended Friday by a Springside Park policeman have admitted vandalizing a shelter there on Thursday. Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert disclosed Monday night.

Hearings were held with the boys, their parents, park personnel and Hebert over the weekend and the four were fined \$20 each, Hebert said.

The hearings and subsequent fines are called for under the rules and regulations for the parks and approved by the City Council. In the case of an infraction of the rules, the maximum fine is \$20. In this case, the vandalism will amount to some \$300 damage, Hebert said.

Since the boys confessed to the caper, the maximum was set by Hebert, he explained.

The vandals were nabbed by Park Policeman Louis Chojnowski, according to Hebert.

NOV 26 1973
Gas shortage brings demand for local bus, air service

One immediate impact of the growing gas crises for the family automobile this weekend was a big rise in Pittsfield for bus and air transportation.

Ronald A. Trabulsi, owner of the Greyhound Bus Terminal on South Church Street, said he had the busiest day of his six-year career yesterday when more than 3,000 passengers

passed through the terminal.

"It was fantastic," he said. "A lot of people were using buses for the first time."

College students

He said it was necessary to add four and five extra sections to many runs because of the heavy crowds.

Most of the travelers were college students returning to school after the Thanksgiving holiday. However, he said there were many adults who said they were taking the bus because they were afraid of getting stranded somewhere because of a shortage of gasoline.

John A. Heaton, general manager of Command Airways in Pittsfield, also reported a substantial increase in air passenger business yesterday and this morning. He also noted a sharp increase in telephone inquiries since talk of gas rationing and gas station closings started.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said this morning that plans to keep the Christmas tree in Park Square lighted this year may have to be abandoned in view of Nixon's order prohibiting Christmas lights outside homes and businesses.

The Park Commission had voted to light the tree but on a reduced basis during the holiday season.

"I guess we'll have to change our plans," Hebert said.

NOV 26 1973
Legislation said unneeded for sick-leave payments

The legislature's Committee on Public Service has held up action on two fringe-benefit bills filed for the City of Pittsfield on grounds that state legislation is not needed.

Public hearings on the bills were held at the Statehouse Tuesday. One would allow the city to pay compensation for accumulated sick leave to certain employees upon their retirement.

The other would authorize the city to grant all employees, after 20 or more years of service, except policemen and firemen, five weeks of vacation with pay.

The bills, which already have been approved by the City Council and Mayor Donald G. Butler, were filed for the city by Reps. Joseph S. Scelsi and William I. Kitterman of Pittsfield, and Dennis J. Duffin of Lenox.

No opposition

There was no opposition to the bills at the public hearings. Speaking in favor of them were Richard Briggs, a firefighter, and Lawrence J. Grizey, city director of administrative services.

Rep. John R. Buckley, D-Abington, House chairman of the Committee on Public Service, advised the two spokesmen that he thinks there is no need for special action by the legislature.

"There is nothing in state law," he said, "that prevents the city from adopting these two personnel measures. It can be done either through an ordinance or through collective bargaining."

He suggests that the proponents consult with City Solicitor Samuel Landa.

NOV 28 1973
Albert H. Brown

Albert H. Brown, 53, of 305 Fenn St., an employee of the Pittsfield Park Department, died last night at his home after a long illness.

Born in Pittsfield, he was a lifelong resident. An Army veteran of World War II, he had worked for the Department of Parks and Recreation for 18 years. He was a former member of the Order of Eagles and the VFW.

He is survived by five sons, William M., Michael W., Stephen M., Gerald P. and Kevin A. Brown, all of Pittsfield; four sisters, Mrs. Omer Russell, Mrs. Allen R. Cook, Mrs. Kenneth W. Wood and Mrs. Dorothy Pidgin, all of Pittsfield; two brothers, Frank G. and Kenneth R. Brown, also of Pittsfield, and two grandchildren.

Services will be Friday morning at the Dery Funeral Home. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home this evening from 7 to 9 and tomorrow from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9.

Park Square Christmas tree put in place

The Park Department's Christmas tree, a traditional color beacon in Park Square for the holiday season, was put in place Tuesday by department employees, but without the traditional lights.

Park Superintendent Vincent J. Herbert said members of the Park Commission reconsidered an earlier decision to light the tree on a limited-time basis and elected to go along with the recommended Presidential ban on exterior holiday lighting.

The tree was donated to the department by Mrs. Emma Vaccaro of 38 Lakeway Dr. It is a 45-foot tall blue spruce.

Department employees also installed the Christmas creche in the park. That, too, is without lights.

Park Square tree lights will shine

The city's Christmas tree in Park Square will be lighted this year, after all, Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert announced Friday.

Earlier, the Parks Commissioners had canceled plans to light the tree after President Nixon appealed to the nation to save energy.

But after receiving appeals for reconsideration and conferring with officials of Western Mass. Electric Co., the commissioners decided this week to light the tree, starting sometime next week from 5 to 10 nightly. On Christmas Eve, the three will remain lighted from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., Hebert said.

But while the tree lights are on, said Hebert, the two mercury lumen street lamps in the park will be doused.

"The net effect," he said, "will be to save energy."

Barbed wire will guard high-voltage towers

Western Mass. Electric Co. will place barbed wire around additional high-voltage electrical transmission towers in the Brattlebrook Park area.

Bart D. Barry, manager of WMEC's Pittsfield operations, said 23 towers in all will be wrapped with wire in an effort to prevent youngsters from climbing them.

Two accidents in the past two years in which teen-agers have been seriously injured on the towers have prompted requests from city agencies for preventive measures.

Barry said that WMEC transmission towers in the park itself have already been wrapped, and that wire will be added to those

in the right-of-way on either side of the park between power substations on Doreen and Dorchester streets.

Meanwhile, WMEC is continuing its preventive education program in the area elementary schools, Barry said. Two company linemen have shown films and given talks to children in Grades 4 and 5 in Pittsfield schools during the past month, he said.

The education program began three years ago in Pittsfield and has been extended to other sections of the WMEC service area, Barry said.

New signs warning against the danger of climbing on the towers have replaced similar signs that were torn down, he said.

DEC 6 1973

Residents ask abandonment of park road

Twenty-two residents near the southern entrance to Brattlebrook Park have petitioned the city Park Commission to abandon a right of way from the park to Elm Street.

Action on the petition, which was presented at a commission meeting Monday night, was tabled pending findings of a study on ingress to and egress from the park, according to Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert.

The right of way, which is not used now, lies between Birch Grove and Saratoga drives, Hebert said, adding the access study is important "because we don't want, unnecessarily to disturb the abutters."

Skating practice area

Right now, some visitors to the park use a dirt road at the end of Birch Grove Drive, but Hebert said this road lies on private property. "It's through the kindness of the owners that we can use it," he said.

In other business, Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club representative asked the commission to provide a practice area in the Thomas Island Cove on Onota Lake for skaters. Hebert said the commission will consider providing lights and a shelter for the cove area.

"Of course, that's for when weather conditions are favorable," he said.

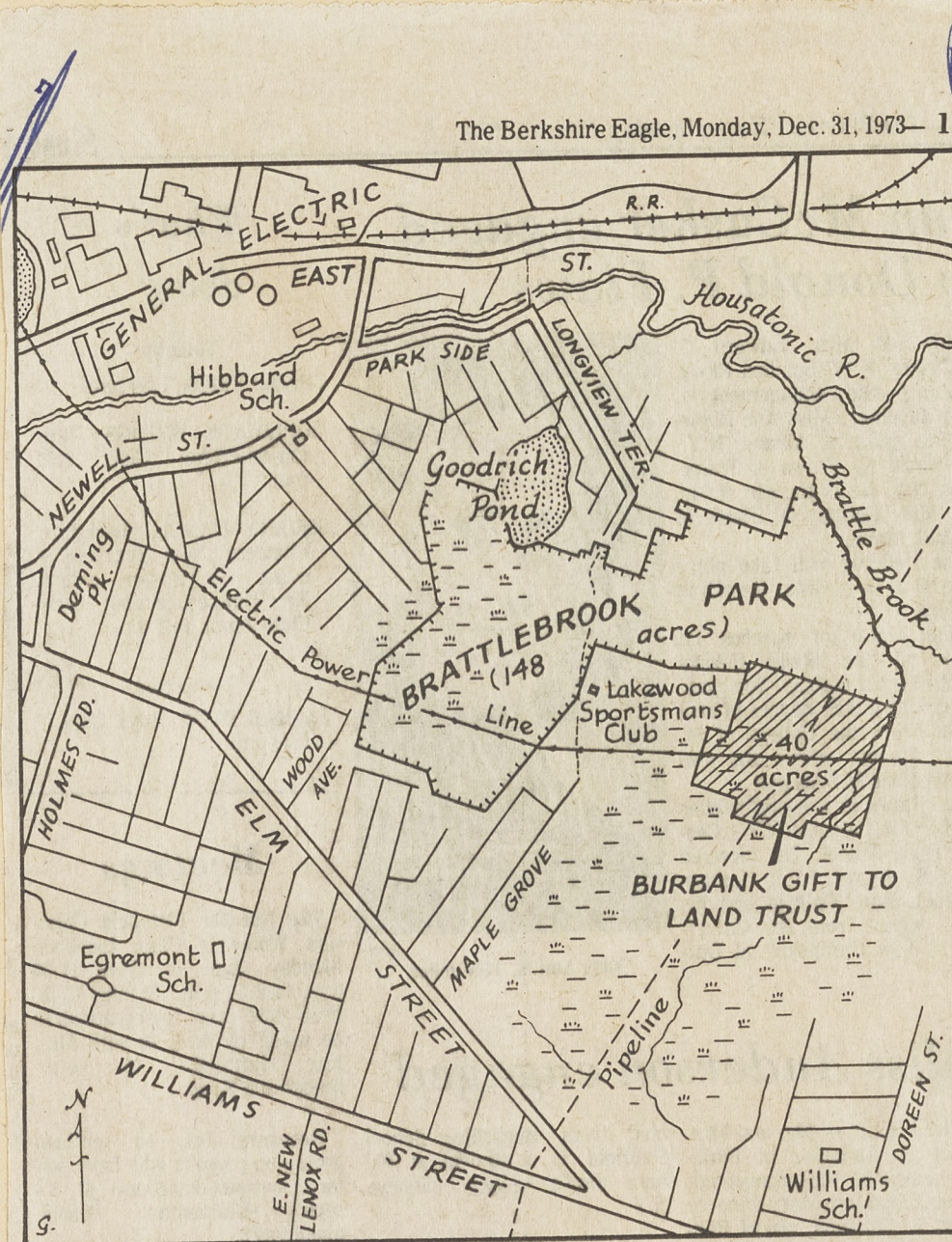
DEC 12 1973

State offers \$16,000 to help build pier

The state Department of Natural Resources has notified the city it is willing to spend \$16,000 to help build a fishing pier at Burbank Park, Mayor Butler said this morning.

This money would supplement \$8,000 raised by the Rotary Club for this Onota Lake project.

Butler said he will check today to make sure the \$16,000 in state funds was not among spending measures vetoed yesterday by Gov. Sargent.



FORTY-ACRE GIFT of land was made today by Mr. and Mrs. John Burbank of 600 Williams St. to the land trust of the Berkshire Natural Resources Council. It is situated next to Brattlebrook Park and some day may become an addition to that city park.

Burbanks give land trust 40 acres near Brattlebrook

John and Evelyn Burbank today gave 40 acres of lowlands adjoining Brattlebrook Park to the land trust of the Berkshire Natural Resources Council.

Mr. and Mrs. Burbank and the trust contemplate that the land eventually may be conveyed to the city to be annexed to that park in the Lakewood section, George Wislocki, resources council executive director, said.

The 2-year-old trust has now acquired about 2,700 acres of Berkshire land, either through donation or conservation restrictions, according to Wislocki.

While this parcel is given without restrictions, Wislocki said, the trust itself can use land only for open space or recreational purposes.

"Most gifts that we get are covered by restrictions banning motorcycles, snowmobiles, etc. But in this case the Burbanks

left the uses up to us," Wislocki stated.

The land lies next to the Lakewood Sportsman's Club at the southeast end of the 148-acre Brattlebrook Park.

John Burbank is chairman of the city's Water Commission, which is currently sinking test wells in Brattlebrook Park as a potential supplementary water supply.

JAN 6 1973
Reardon also considering run for mayoralty

Howard K. Reardon says his name should be added to the growing list of potential candidates for mayor.

He has headed Local 861 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees since 1968. That is the union representing municipal blue collar workers.

Reardon entered the race for Council in 1971 but dropped out for "personal reasons." The union leader said he expects to make a decision within a week.

Union leader Howard Reardon is third candidate for mayor JAN 13 1973

Howard K. Reardon, head of the union representing the city's 250 municipal blue collar workers, last night announced he will run for mayor.

His entry brings the field to three, and assures a primary contest this fall. More contestants are expected. Reardon predicts a total of seven or eight.

The contest for the \$20,000 post is wide open because of Mayor Butler's decision not to seek a fourth term.

An economy plank

Reardon said that as mayor he would work for elimination of unnecessary spending in the municipal government.

"I intend to try to lower the tax rate," Reardon said.

The candidate, who is 32, is head of Local 861, American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, AFL-CIO. He has been president of that union since 1968, and has been one of the more outspoken municipal union leaders here. In the late 1960s he led a sanitation workers' slowdown over sick leave and safety equipment on city garbage trucks.

Withdrew in 1971

Reardon, who is a laborer in the Parks Department, said the city's parks are "below par" because the city already has



Paul Rocheleau

Howard K. Reardon

more parkland than the department can take care of. He said he would oppose acquisition of more parks until the city develops the parkland it already owns. He cited Springside Park and the new Brattlebrook Park as facilities that need development.

Reardon berated the city for spending money "foolishly on

surveys . . . worth about a dime a dozen."

In 1971 he ran for City Council but withdrew from the race for what he termed personal reasons.

Pittsfield native

Born in Pittsfield, Reardon attended St. Joseph's High School, leaving near the end of his junior year. He is a Navy veteran and a member of the Deputy Sheriff's Association, the Pittsfield Central Labor Council and the Franco-American Club and in the late 1960s served on the board of directors of the city antipoverty agency, Action for Opportunity.

Reardon, who is divorced, lives at 21 Francis Ave. with his five children. They range in age from 4 to 12.

"It is time to recognize the citizens' of Pittsfield's rights, not to neglect them," Reardon said in his opening statement.

"I will speak out on issues . . . The voters will know where I stand before primary day."

Council votes to purchase 226-acre Burgner farm FEB 14 1973

The 226-acre Burgner farm on outer Williams Street is going to be purchased by the city from the Berkshire Medical Center.

On a 10-1 vote, the City Council last night authorized spending \$263,144 in federal revenue-sharing funds to acquire the property.

Mayor Butler said the land is needed for park purposes and a future school site. He added — as requested by Councilman Raymond E. Crow — that a future council could sell some of it off for private housing development.

For flexibility

Butler advocated this open-ended approach so that the city will have flexibility of use for the land. In the past, he noted, when land has been taken exclusively for park purposes, it has taken legislative acts — sometimes impossible to obtain — to use part of the acreage for a school.

The purchase will not take place immediately.

First the Council wants the mayor and the BMC to see if they can reach agreement on sale of the old Burgner farmhouse to Dr. Kenneth J. Solomon, who is currently renting it.

Councilman Henry V. Marchisio said the house, which dates back to 1791, is one of the city's oldest. It was said that the Solomons want to restore it.

If this property is sold off, the purchase price to Pittsfield will be reduced.

The sole opponent to the purchase of the farm was Councilman Philip J. Tully Jr. He argued that the proposed uses were too vague. The Ward 1 councilman also questioned why the city was paying a price that includes the medical center's interest payments on the property.

The BMC acquired the land in mid-1970 for a reported \$212,000.

It is said to be offering the property to the city for its purchase price, plus the amount of money it has paid in interest.

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy said local real estate people had told her that the price asked is a bargain because land values have escalated since the Center bought the farm as a possible hospital site.

Councilman Paul E. Brindle said this purchase would reverse the past "shortsighted-

ness" of the city in not acquiring land for future school construction. He pointed to the difficulties being experienced in finding a site for the proposed Morningside community school.

Councilman Robert F. Jakubowicz said he will seek a legal opinion on whether the authorization order was properly drafted. He said that, under state law, the city can take land only for municipal purposes. The order listed no purposes.

MAR 17 1973

Golfers barred from grounds of Egremont School

The windows of Egremont School have been besieged by errant golf balls.

Principal James B. Tynan says at least 18 windows were broken by golf balls last year. "There may have been more broken," he said, "but I deposited 18 balls at (Public Works Commissioner Harold) Grandshaw's desk last September."

"Our wide-open playground appears to be a temptation to our aspiring Arnold Palmers and Jack Nicklaus," Tynan said, adding, "If their control is any indication of their potential, our leading pros have nothing to worry about."

Tynan announced that hereafter the Egremont playground will be off limits to golfers.

FEB 15 1973
City's blue-collar workers accept proposed contract

The municipal blue collar workers union here last night voted unanimously to accept the contract offered by the city.

President Howard K. Reardon of Local 861 of the State, County and Municipal Employees Federation said the 18-month contract provides:

—A 5 per cent pay hike retroactive to Jan. 1.

—A cost-of-living provision of up to 2.5 per cent to take effect Jan. 1, 1974, if the cost of living goes up during 1973.

—A wage reopener clause which will allow the city and union to talk about another pay hike for the last six months of the contract.

—A fifth week of vacation for workers after they work for the city 20 years. The current maximum vacation of four weeks is reached after 10 years' service.

—An apprentice training program in the Public Buildings Department. It has already been started under the supervision of Supt. Harold T. Grandshaw.

—Accumulation of up to 45 days sick-leave pay, payable on retirement or death.

—Increased insurance on city drivers.

—A safety committee consisting of two union members, two members designated by the city and one insurance man.

The vote was taken at the French-American Club on Melville Street. Reardon said 58

members attended. Before the contract takes effect portions of it must be ratified by the City Council. The Butler administration has been citing the need for contract austerity in light of local economic and unemployment conditions.

Butler's revenue-sharing budget stresses road jobs, new equipment

FEB 22 1973

By GRIER HORNER

Mayor Butler's blueprint for using federal revenue-sharing funds over the next 18 months places heavy emphasis on street paving and equipment replacement.

During the 18-month period, the city will have \$2.4 million available from this source, according to Auditor Anthony W. Sottile.

Butler has blueprinted what he would like to do with \$1.9 million of the total amount. Three quarters of the \$1.9 million would go for street work and to buy new municipal equipment — mostly vehicles.

Outlined to Council

In his plan, outlined to the City Council last night, \$1 million would be spent this year

and next for street paving and reconstruction.

Another \$460,000 would go for equipment — the bulk of it in the Public Works Department. But all city vehicles to be purchased — including police patrol cars — would be financed under revenue sharing.

The Butler plan, which will be considered by the Council next Monday at 7, also earmarks

\$263,000 for purchase of the Burgner farm on outer Williams Street, \$80,000 for construction of a public works garage building and \$100,000 for a new police communications system.

The farm would be used for parkland, future school, and, possibly, housing sites. The public works repair garage that would be replaced is said to be in hazardous condition. The existing police radio network is plagued by interference from distant radio stations and isn't strong enough to reach police cars in outlying sections of the city.

For other uses

Butler told the Council he would have \$450,000 of the revenue-sharing income left over during the 18-month period for other uses.

The mayor, who has a number of requests for use of revenue sharing before him, indicated he may come in with additional recommendations for the remainder of the money.

The mayor told the Council he wants to shift a \$75,000 school modernization study, already approved by the Council, from revenue sharing to free cash because of added flexibility that gives in spending the state reimbursement that would come in on the study.

Mayor submits record budget to City Council for action

FEB 16 1973

Mayor Butler last night proposed a \$39.1 million budget for Pittsfield for the next 1½ years.

Far and away the largest budget ever submitted to the Council, it achieves that distinction not because of an astronomical increase in city spending but because it covers 18 months instead of the traditional 12.

The 18-month budget was required by law to let the municipalities take the extra skip need-

ed to get in step with the state fiscal year.

Comparing the amount Butler wants expended for 1973 to what was budgeted in 1972 puts the budget in better perspective.

Spending for nonschool purposes this year, Butler says, should be \$13.2 million — a jump of 6.5 per cent from last year.

Spending for school purposes — over which the mayor and City Council have little control — is set at \$12.3 million. According to Eagle figures this is an increase of 9.6 per cent.

The School Department, however, has said its budget is up only 6.7 per cent and City Auditor Anthony W. Sottile has termed it a 12 per cent rise.

More information later

This leaves the actual increase in some confusion. Part of the discrepancy appears to be in different ways of figuring the impact of the elimination of federal impacted-areas money this year. Last year the city received \$300,000 from that source.

The budget was delivered to the councilmen last night. They have 45 days to make cuts and approve it. They can't make additions.

"At first glance the total (\$39.1 million) appears insurmountable," Butler told the Council in a brief written message. But he added that additional information he will provide in the next several months should make the package a little more palatable.

There were no immediate predictions on what the budget increase would do to the 1973 tax rate. Taxpayers will pay for the 1973 expenses in November and for the six months of 1974 expenses, included in the budget, in May 1974.

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City Council votes a record budget

The City Council last night adopted a record \$39 million budget after having reduced Mayor Butler's money requests by \$155,800.

Because it covers 18 months instead of the normal 12 months, this budget is difficult to compare with its past predecessors. But in rough terms it exceeds the 1972 fiscal plan by an annual rate of 8 per cent.

The budget covers 1973 and half of 1974 as the city and other municipalities move into step with the state and federal fiscal year.

In record time

City Council President John F. Fraser said the Council adopted the budget this year in record time.

In the process, it did not make as many reductions as it did last year when it pruned \$212,000 from a \$23 million budget.

The largest cut was \$70,000 from the public buildings department's category for school repairs and rehabilitation — leaving \$400,000 for 1973, more than was allowed last year.

Spending for nonschool purposes in the 1973 portion of the 18-month budget is just over \$13 million, an increase of about 6 per cent over last year's allocation.

Spending for school purposes at \$12.3 million for 1973 represented an increase of roughly 12 per cent over the 1972 budget.

School budget spared

The Council did not repeat last year's effort to cut the school budget, an action that had led it to a court case that forced it to restore most of its \$5,500 reduction.

City officials have not been publicly estimating what the new budget will do to the tax rate, but it appeared safe to assume that it would go up.



REPUBLICAN SPEAR-CARRIERS were honored at the annual recognition night of the Berkshire County Republican Association last night by Governor Sargent. Cited for their work for the party were, from left, Mrs. Rosanna Spangenberg of Dalton, Mrs. Madeline

Winter of Richmond, Governor Sargent, John Marchesi of Pittsfield, who was Republican of the year for entire county, Mrs. Ruth Canero of North Adams and Richard Gold of Clarksburg. Missing from picture are Rep. Sidney Q. Curtiss of Sheffield and Milton K. Nutt of Pittsfield.

Paul Rocheleau

Teen drinking doesn't worry Sarge

He tells Berkshire GOP new law gives him no qualms

By A.A. MICHELSON

Governor Sargent said here last night that he has no qualms about the new law which allows 18-year-olds to purchase alcoholic beverages because "I know they will be responsible." The new law went into effect Thursday.

The Republic governor is in Pittsfield this weekend primarily to join his World War II buddies of the 10th Mountain Division, which is holding a three-day reunion at the Colonial Hilton Inn and Bousquet's ski area. He also was the honor guest last night at the annual recognition dinner of the Berkshire County Republican Association at the Lenox House, Lenox.

250 attend

A crowd of almost 250 — a record — turned out for the dinner at which the Republican of the Year was named. A man and woman from each of the three geographical areas of the county were also cited for their work for the party of the year.

"I have more confidence in young people," the governor said, "than many people do. And I don't subscribe to the forebodings of many who talk of the carnage on the highways that will result from the new law."

The governor said he had no hesitation about signing the bill when it reached his desk last year.

"We send 18-year-olds off to war," he said, "and I see no reason why people of that age can't enjoy the privileges that are extended to all other persons."

Praises Nuciforo

The governor also had no qualms last night at the well-attended Republican affair about having appointed a Democrat, Sen. Andrea F. Nuciforo, as presiding justice of the Berkshire Probate Court. Earlier in the evening he had been asked by a television reporter if there had been any political flak for having appointed a democrat.

He told the reporter and repeated his answer later at the Republican dinner that he was proud to name to the bench a person of "Andy Nuciforo's humility, compassion and patience."

"And he was also a good senator," Sargent added.

He said he had received no flak, probably because "everyone has learned by now that in my appointments to the bench my objective of selecting the most qualified man transcends partisan politics."

Marchesi cited

"All things being equal," he said, "I like to appoint Republicans. But if I think a Democrat will make a better judge, I will appoint him."

Selected as the outstanding Republican of the year was John Marchesi of Pittsfield, director of recreation for the city Department of Parks and Recreation. In citing him, Rudolph A. Sacco, a former Republican Association chairman who is now a member of the Public Utilities Commission, said that Marchesi has been a selfless worker for all Republican candidates and for the Republican party. He

said Marchesi has also given selflessly to civic projects, particularly working with youth groups.

The following were cited on a regional basis:

Northern Berkshire — Mrs. Ruth Canero of North Adams and Richard Gold, Clarksburg. Central Berkshire — Mrs. Rosanna Spangenberg of Dalton and Milton K. Nutt of Pittsfield.

Southern Berkshire — Mrs. Madeline F. Winter of Richmond and Rep. Sidney Q. Curtiss of Sheffield.

Gov. Sargent congratulated all of them and advised that they can lead a campaign to elect a Republican to fill the seat being vacated by Sen. Nuciforo.

Praises candidates

"In Evan Dobelle and Jack Fitzpatrick," he said, "you have two very capable candidates, and either one of them will add a great deal to the state Senate."

After the BCRA dinner, Gov. and Mrs. Sargent dropped into the annual pre-lenten Carnevale Night at the Itam Lodge. He could not resist using a few Italian phrases learned, he said, in the mountains of Italy where he

commanded a ski troop, and from his grandmother, whose maiden name was Eva Ballarini.

This morning, at Bousquet, assuming the recent balmy weather hasn't wiped out skiing, the governor will participate in a race, which is always a feature of 10th Division reunions. Mrs. Sargent brought her skis, too.

"This is one race," the governor said, "that I always lose."

Commissioner guilty of vandalism

SPRINGFIELD (AP) — The vice chairman of the Westfield Park Commission was placed on probation for three years after pleading guilty to charges of arson and property damage in incidents in a Westfield park last October.

William Chojnowski, 27, pleaded guilty Monday in Hampden County Superior Court.

His probation sentence was made conditional on his receiving psychiatric treatment.

Total property damage from fire and vandalism at Arms Brook Recreation Area in Westfield last October has been estimated at \$13,000.

MAR 23 1973

State schedules seminar here for city workers

The Massachusetts Department of Community Affairs will hold a five-day seminar for first-line supervisors in the Pittsfield city government April 2-6, according to an announcement by Mayor Donald G. Butler.

The seminar will be sponsored by the state DCA and is entitled "Supervision and Group Performance."

Lewis S. W. Crampton, DCA commissioner, arranged to hold the seminar in Pittsfield after a conference with Mayor Butler.

The mayor said it was developed as a result of a training needs assessment conducted by the Berkshire County Intergovernment Training Committee. The purpose of the study was to identify and utilize short-term training programs which will contribute to the effectiveness of government officials at all levels.

Local officials may attend the seminar without charge under a Community Development Training grants.

The seminar will be held in Room 1123 at General Electric Co. plastic division headquarters at 100 Plastics Ave.

MAR 3 1973

Reardon asserts Bogdan is politicking with bypass

Mayoral Candidate Howard K. Reardon says Albert A. Bogdan, an unannounced contender for mayor, is "playing politics" on the Route 7 bypass issue.

And mayoral candidate John F. Fraser, Reardon said, "has to decide whether he's for or against the bypass."

Reardon said his own position is opposition to the bypass. It would take business away from Pittsfield, he said, "because people will drive right through. If we have a traffic problem let's settle it right in the city."

Reardon said he also opposes taking people's homes for the highway. Reardon's attack yesterday focused on Bogdan, executive director of the city's Urban Coalition. Reardon, head of the municipal blue-collar workers' union, said Bogdan has done an "about-face" on the bypass issue, "now that he sees 1,500 people are against it."

The Urban Coalition at Bog-

dan's urging last December passed a resolution favoring the Route 7 bypass. But this week Bogdan called for further study of the road, and other issues, saying, "There's been a hell of a lot of confusion on the thing."

Bogdan said the state and business leaders aren't giving the answers to end that confusion.

"Bogdan's the one that has to be confused," Reardon said. "How could he endorse it before if he didn't have the answers?"

The mayoral candidate said he disagreed with Fraser's call for a referendum question that would allow voters to seek a modified version of the bypass.

"Either you accept it or reject it," Reardon said "I want to see it rejected."

MAR 29 1973

City to get Burgner farmhouse

A Pittsfield doctor has withdrawn his offer to buy the old Burgner farmhouse on Williams Street, and Pittsfield will acquire it along with more than 200 acres of farmland.

On Feb. 13 the City Council voted 10-1 to buy the tract, including the 18th century house, for \$263,000 from the Berkshire Medical Center.

But at the request of several councilmen it authorized the mayor to let the hospital sell the old house to Dr. Kenneth Solomon.

Mervin Wineberg, head of a BMC committee, notified Butler today that the physician had withdrawn his offer to purchase.

"I'm just as happy," Butler said. "He wanted almost half the 500-foot frontage."

MAR 26 1973

Pontoosuc Lake ice nearly out

The ice on Pontoosuc Lake is reluctant to leave. A large floe, larger than Francis Island, still clung to the south shore this morning, while another smaller section had floated in against the west shore.

Weather will determine how much longer the ice will linger. Wind, rain or high temperatures could hasten the exit. It might be gone tomorrow, but calm, cool weather could preserve it through the weekend.

MAR 30 1973

Pontoosuc ice departure time is a mystery

The ice is finally out of Pontoosuc Lake. The question is, did it go out the last day of March or the first of April? It left some time during the night.

A large floe was left Saturday afternoon across the front of the public bathing beach. The lake was clear yesterday morning.

The earliest the ice has departed was March 26, 1913. The latest, April 30, 1949. Last year, the date was April 27.

Reardon charges Butler is using library as payoff

APR 20 1973

Mayoral candidate Howard K. Reardon charged today that Mayor Butler is pushing the new library to pay off a political debt to the city's "fat cats."

The candidate said the city cannot afford the proposed \$2.5-million facility and said the existing Berkshire Athenaeum should be rehabilitated instead.

In a statement issued to the press, Reardon asserted that Butler, who is not seeking a fourth term, is pushing the library "because he has certain commitments to the fat cats of the city and has to pay them off."

Priorities

Pittsfield's top priority, according to the municipal blue-collar union leader, should be tax reduction and not library construction. The second priority, Reardon said, should be road rebuilding.

Pointing to construction work under way at the Wendell Avenue parking lot where the library would be built, Reardon charged that Butler is so confident the library will go through that he's preparing the lot for it.

City officials, however, say the work being performed there this week is to correct a serious drainage problem. The lot is also being resurfaced.

Reardon also had unkind words for the County Commissioners, calling on them "to

mind their own business" on the library issue.

The commissioners have said they're willing to trade the county jail property—where the city wants to build a community school—for the library plus an option to buy 20 acres of the "piggery."

Rehabilitating the existing library, Reardon said, would only cost the city \$100,000, compared to close to \$2 million the city would have to pay for a new facility.

Dispute over funds

While rehabilitation costs are estimated at \$500,000, he said, the city could compel the library to use \$400,000 of its capital funds to cover the bulk of the cost.

The library says most of its capital funds were contributed for construction of a new facility, not for repairs.

The library issue comes before the City Council Tuesday night. The Council defeated Butler's 1969 effort to build a new library.

Councilman Peter G. Arlos, who campaigned against the library then, indicated he will fight it again.



APR 23 1973

EASTER message during the sunrise service Sunday at Clapp Park was delivered by the Rev. David Dean of Berkshire Christian College. Approximately 200 minis-

ters and laymen from area churches attended the 45-minute service, which was sponsored by Key 73. It featured special music and readings from Scripture.

Joel Librizzi

APR 27 1973 School board sets calendar for next year

The School Committee has approved next year's school calendar with school starting Wednesday, Sept. 5. September 4 will be a teacher orientation day.

The calendar provides for 184 possible school days which is a leeway of four days for postponement in case of snow.

School will close, depending on snow days used, between June 14 and June 20.

In other business Wednesday, the committee:

—Accepted the resignation of Miss Dori Liles, teacher of the Allendale School open class, and of Jacqueline R. Remboletti, a clerk in Central Annex.

—Sent a letter to City Solicitor Samuel Landa requesting the proper state policy for maternity leaves. The School Department at present allows leaves of up to one year without pay and does not deduct the time from the sick-leave clause.

—Heard a report from Asst. Supt. Thomas J. Roche on the status of negotiations with the custodians.

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City govt. reorganization is proposed by Peter Arlos

City Councilman Peter G. Arlos is proposing a municipal reorganization that would eliminate at least three department heads and give sweeping administrative and financial responsibility to the city clerk.

Arlos said today his plan, which he submitted for Council consideration today, would save at least \$100,000 a year in salaries.

By creating a consolidated department of administration and finance, he said, his plan would also "provide for more efficient delivery of these services and would enable citizens to pinpoint responsibility."

Effect of plan

The at-large councilman's proposed department of administration and finance would eliminate the jobs of auditor, tax collector, administrative services director and treasurer. (The Arlos contends that the pre-treasurer's job is usually held sent 30-year-old administrative setup is outmoded and has led to a bureaucracy that has

grown without plan and without improved delivery of services. indicated, would be replaced by one "professional" assessor.

Now elected, the city clerk under the Arlos plan would be appointed by the mayor with Council confirmation.

City Clerk Francis J. Condon, who under the reorganization could lose the post he was elected to in 1971, had no immediate comment.

The clerk under the plan would be in command of the following divisions: city records and licensing, data-processing, finance, personnel services and voter registrations and elections.

The clerk is already in charge of much of the record keeping and has some licensing and election duties. But appointed boards have broad control over licensing and registration.

Arlos contends that the pre-treasurer's job is usually held sent 30-year-old administrative setup is outmoded and has led to a bureaucracy that has

Not enough work?

A number of department heads, he says, while willing to work, don't have enough to do. Their departments, he maintains, could run just as smoothly without them under the direction of the clerk and their present assistants.

To make the administrative change would require legislative action to place the plan on the ballot in November and approval by the voters.

City Auditor Anthony W. Sotile and Tax Collector-Treasurer John J. Norton are retiring at the end of the year. Administrative Services Director Lawrence A. Grizey Jr.'s term expires at the end of the year. The incoming mayor — Donald G. Butler is not seeking re-election — would have the option of reappointing Grizey or putting in a new man.

JUN 18 1973 Reardon backs return to old garbage pickup

Mayoral candidate Howard K. Reardon says if elected he would return the city's garbage collection system to the old schedule.

Reardon said a survey taken with the help of sanitation workers showed that of 636 polled only 12 didn't object to the new rotating-day collection setup.

Reardon said that returning to the old method in which people's garbage was collected on the same day each week would cost \$8,000 a year in overtime. The rotating system, initiated by Public Works Commissioner Gerald S. Doyle, eliminated the overtime.

But Reardon said the money would be well spent to free people of "the worry of trying to remember what day to put it out" and to stop garbage put out on the wrong day being torn into by dogs.

Jr. high track meet planned

The Pittsfield Boys' Club will sponsor a junior high track meet on Wednesday, June 6. The meet will be held at Clapp Park, starting at 4 p.m. Any boy in Grade 7 through 9 may enter.

The events being run will be the 100-220 and 440-yard dashes as well as the mile, long jump, discus and shot put.

Entry blanks may be obtained at the Boys' Club.

MAY 21 1973

Council actions: the longest night

APR 25 1973

The City Council last night, during its longest meeting in recent history—from 7:30 p.m. until 1:55 a.m.—took the following action.

—Voted to ask the state legislature to place the Route 7 bypass question before the voters next November. The proposal passed by one vote.

—Decided to hold a special meeting next week on Mayor Butler's request for construction of a \$2.5 million library and for setting up a committee to study possible uses of the old library.

—Showed little enthusiasm for a proposed three-way land swap between the city and County Commissioners to provide a site for the Morningside community school.

—Directed the Planning Board to report back by next meeting on Councilwoman Mary Murphy's call for safety and noise zones in the vicinity of the airport. She said their establishment would pave the way for payment of replacement value to people whose homes have been placed in danger or a heavy noise area by construction of the new runway. The vote was 10-1, with Councilman Roy F. Brown opposed.

—Called for reports from a host of city departments on the impact of the Vincent Sand & Gravel Co.'s proposed concrete and sand operations on the East Street neighborhood, the underground water supply there and the Housatonic River. It will hold a special meeting Monday night at 8:30 to hear the reports. The investigation was initiated by Councilman Henry V. Marchisio.

—Petitioned the state legislature to exempt the Old Town Hall, restored by the Berkshire County Savings Bank, from city taxation. Councilman Peter G. Arlos, the measure's sponsor, said the bank is "being penalized for performing a great public service to the city" because of the "arrogance" of one assessor.

—Gave final passage 10-1 of a 5 per cent pay hike for nearly all city employees, retroactive to Jan. 1, and raises ranging from 12 per cent to 50 per cent for several part-time workers. Ms. Murphy voted no.

—Accepted the resignation of former Councilman Richard W. Paul from the Noise Control Commission, which he founded several years ago, with a "commendation for his service to the city."

—Confirmed Mayor Butler's appointment of Gordon C. Nonken as a member of the Road Reconstruction Commission.

—Learned that Butler had chosen not to sign a Council-approved lease with Bionomics, Inc., for establishment of several collection sheds at city fire stations. Instead, the mayor said a trial run will be given to one shed placed at Peck's Road Fire Station.

—Took the final step to acquire the 225-acre Burgner Farm on Williams Street from the Berkshire Medical Center for \$263,000. It will be reserved for park, conservation and school site uses.

—Rejected Councilwoman Murphy's proposal that the West Side community school now under construction be named after Mayor Butler, who initiated the school, after it was said a school can't be named after a living person.

—Sent the state Department of Public Works a letter asking that it make several modifications in its proposed TOPICS traffic-flow and safety project for North Street. The Council is asking that no parking spaces be eliminated until the Nutman project parking garage is built, that the England Brothers loading zone on Depot Street be retained, that the median strip be ended at Linden Street to give Pittsfield Supply Co. continued access to its loading dock and that the Council be given a say in placement and design of street lighting.

—At Councilman Philip J. Tully Jr.'s request, referred the proposed reconstruction of the eastern half of Crane Avenue to the Planning Board for a recommendation on the road width. Tully and his Public Works Committee say it should be 32 feet wide. Peter B. Franz of Crane Avenue last night asked the Council for a 24-foot width to save some of the 33 trees earmarked for removal.

—Gave final passage to an ordinance increasing taxi fares while giving elderly riders half price. The charge for the first mile will be \$1.10 now with an added 60 cents for each subsequent mile.

JUN 30 1973

Sports deadline advanced 1 hour starting Monday

The daily deadline for The Eagle's sports news will be advanced one hour starting Monday.

The earlier deadline has been instituted as part of continuing efforts to meet press deadlines under the newspaper's new system of photocomposition and get the papers delivered on time, according to Paul J. Major, general manager of the paper.

There has been some improvement in this area since the switch from hot metal to cold type June 4, but it is expected that it will take possibly two more months before we have reached a degree of proficiency that will produce a daily paper on time every day, according to Major.

Most newspapers that have made the switch to photocomposition have found it takes several months to master the new system.

The new sports deadline will be 8:30 a.m. Members of the sports department will start their daily shift at 6 a.m.

Reardon raps mode of use of revenue sharing

Mayoral candidate Howard K. Reardon says the federal revenue-sharing money is not being spent here in a way that will hold down real estate taxes.

Reardon compared North Adams's \$1 tax decrease announced last week to Pittsfield's \$5.40 increase.

"Why is it that a depressed area like North Adams can lower its taxes, yet Pittsfield cannot?" Reardon asked. "The answer to this question is that federal revenue-sharing money is not being spent properly."

The candidate said that when Mayor Butler was seeking reelection, he came in with low tax-rate increases but now that he is not seeking reelection, "taxes have blown completely out of proportion."

The candidate in his news statement also implied that the city missed another opportunity to cut taxes under Butler. "Where has the \$1.5 million that we saved when the state took over welfare in 1968 gone?" Reardon asked.

"If elected mayor I intend to chew up and spit out the unnecessary fats in all city departments and watch very closely the spending of the taxpayers dollars," Reardon said.



Joel Librizzi

MONTANA youngsters enjoy picnic at Springside Park after arriving yesterday. The 36 young people are here for a week as part of the Interstate 4-H Exchange program. Next year, the local hosts, the 4-H Happy Wander-

ers of Berkshire County, will visit Montana. Mayor Butler greeted the visitors at their arrival. During the stay, the group will climb Mt. Greylock, visit the Crane Museum, and travel to a beach in Rhode Island for a day.

JUL 20 1973

PITTSFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR 1973 - 1974

Tuesday, Sept. 4
is teacher orientation
day.

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184 DAYS

*Dismissal at noon

NOTE: This calendar includes 4 snow days. If these days are not used, school will close on June 14.

New law curbs use of snowmobiles on private property

By A. A. Michelson

Gov. Sargent has signed into law a bill which imposes a \$100 fine on any operator of a snowmobile or any other kind of vehicle who trespasses on private land.

The new law, which goes into effect Nov. 2, stipulates that no entry can be made on private land, "whether of not such land is posted."

Enactment of the measure was hailed by Samuel Sass, General Electric librarian and Sierra Club member who has long been an outspoken critic of snowmobiles in particular and all noise and air polluters in general.

"Naturally," he said, I am pleased that the law was enacted, but on the basis of experience we will have to wait and see how it is enforced."

The law aims at more than snowmobilers. It inveighs against anyone who enters private land and has in his possession or control "any vehicle, machine or device which includes an internal combustion engine or other source of mechanical power."

Sass says this applies to Jeeps, all-terrain vehicles and

"even someone carrying a chain saw." He said many landowners have complained about trespassers who come armed with chain saws with the obvious intent of cutting trees.

Under other laws, snowmobiles and other such recreational vehicles are now prohibited from using publicly owned land unless it is an area designed for such use by public authorities.

The new law does, however, make a concession to operators of the recreational vehicles.

It does not apply to an entry made by a vehicle at the junction of a public way with a paved private roadway, unless the latter is distinguished from the public way by a "sign, gatepost, the display of a street number or the name of the occupant of the premises."

In other words, if the private road is paved and the owner doesn't want it used by recreational vehicles, he must overtly indicate that such use is forbidden. The latter provision is not unlike the law that now compels landowners to formally post their land if they don't want it trespassed by hunters.

AUG 10 1973

AUG 21 1973

Routes given for Legion baseball site

Fans planning to attend the Tyler Aces games in the Northeast regional tournament at Middletown, Conn., can take the Massachusetts Turnpike to Exit 4 (West Springfield) and Route 91 south to the Middletown exit approximately 12 miles south of Hartford. The Aces will oppose Portland, Maine, tomorrow afternoon at 1.

After leaving Route 91, motorists should turn right onto Route 66 and proceed on that road through the center of Middletown to Palmer Field. The field can be seen on the right after passing under a railroad overpass.

Although commercial parking is available en route to the ball park, fans can get free parking at Palmer Field or at nearby Veterans' Memorial Park.

SEP 7 1973

Rice is appointed to conservation unit

Mayor Butler has named Planning Board member John H. Rice to the Conservation Commission.

Rice was the Planning Board's choice to represent it on the commission.

If his appointment is confirmed by the City Council, Rice, a former councilman, will fill the vacancy created when G. Roger Denison resigned last June.

Butler has also appointed Donald E. Smith, executive director of the Berkshire County Historical Society to the City Historical Commission. With Council confirmation, Smith will fill the vacancy created by Lee L. Lincoln's recent resignation.

OCT 20 1973

Linda Aurswald heads city clerical union

Ms. Linda Aurswald has been elected to a third term as president of the Pittsfield City Employees Clerical Union.

She said that 11 new members have joined in the past year, bringing membership to 53, or 90 per cent of the clerks in City Hall and the Police and Parks departments.

Because of its growth, "the union feels it now has a stronger position for any future bargaining negotiations," Ms. Aurswald said.

Ms. Roberta Barkley won a second term as vice president and Ms. Marilyn Delphia and Ms. Audrey Abbott won third terms. Mrs. Cynthia Haven was elected secretary.

The elections took place at the union's annual meeting at the Coach Lite Restaurant Tuesday.

AUG 8 1973 Police, firemen plan benefit softball game

The Police and Fire departments will hold their sixth annual benefit softball game at Wahconah Park on Monday, Aug. 20, at 7:30 p.m. All proceeds from the contest will be donated to local charities.

The cops hold a 4-1 series lead over the firemen in the yearly affair cosponsored by the Park Department.

In addition to the game, there will be entertainment provided for children and a demonstration given by the Brassmen, local drum and bugle corps.

Tickets for the benefit can be obtained at the Police and Fire departments and at the Wahconah Park gate the night of the game.

Butler, union sign blue-collar contract

Mayor Butler and the union representing the city's blue-collar workers signed an 18-month contract Monday. Signing for the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees was Local 861 President Howard K. Reardon.

Among the contract's key stipulations is a 5 per cent pay increase which went into effect earlier this year, retroactive to Jan. 1.

That percentage was the standard offered the city's union and nonunion workers this year.

Butler said that because of a press of legal work in the city solicitor's office not all the union contracts have been read.

AUG 16 1973

AUG 17 1973 Couple arrested in vacant barn

A 20-year-old man from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who is a Pittsfield native and a 15-year-old girl companion were taken into custody by city police Wednesday evening after police discovered they had set up house in the vacant barn on the city-owned Burgner Farm on Williams Street.

Charged with idle and disorderly conduct, contributing to the delinquency of a minor and possession of a rifle and a shotgun without an identification card was Arthur Allen Sitter.

Charges against him and a runaway charge against the girl, also of Cedar Rapids, were continued in District Court until Saturday. The public defender was assigned to defend Sitter. Bail of \$500 was set.

**City workers' union
re-elects Reardon**

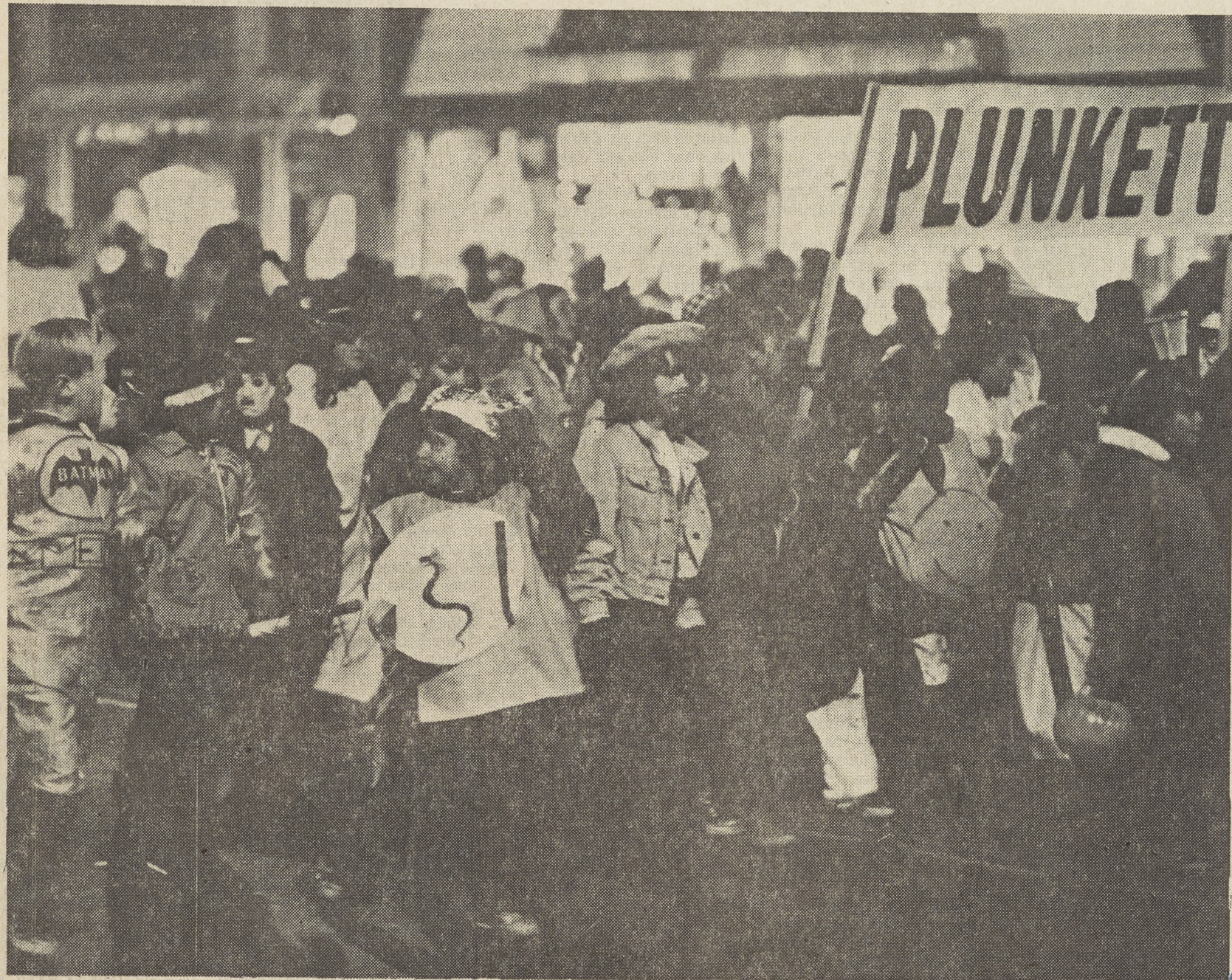
Howard K. Reardon has been elected to a seventh term as head of the municipal blue-collar workers' union.

Reardon, a 32-year-old Park Department worker, was a candidate for mayor in this fall's primary election.

Other officers elected by Local 861 of the State, County and Municipal Employees Federation, AFL-CIO, were: Bernard Radke, vice president; David Clairmont, secretary; Marcel Breault, treasurer and Thomas Crandall and Roaul Dupuis, sergeants at arms.

Elected to the board of directors were George Barber, Radke and John Brasie.

DEC 6 1973



Halloween Parade

Batman and other characters in the Plunkett School delegation, which won honorable mention for attendance, march on North Street in the big Halloween parade, watched by at least 20,000 people.



Unimpressed

This fellow at the parade was checking on the people behind him, a natural consequence of being carried in a backpack.



Hanging in There

Small football player in stroller appears ready for a time out, but the gypsy pushing him isn't ready for that. At right is Little Henry, I think.

Eagle Eye

By William Tague



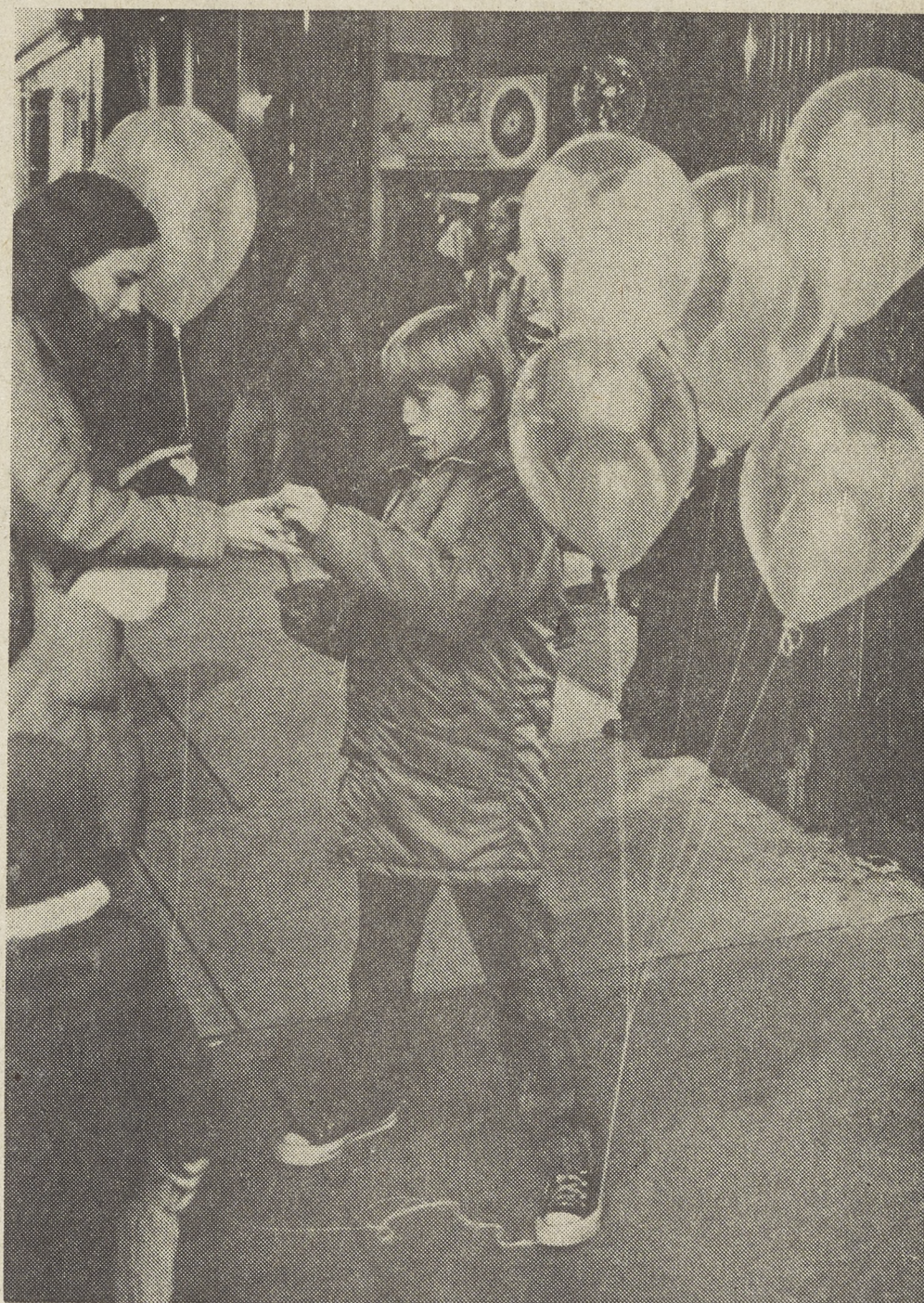
Party Goers

Flitting through the door of Lanesboro School, this ghost has just visited The House of Wax, one of the attractions at the town's annual Halloween party.



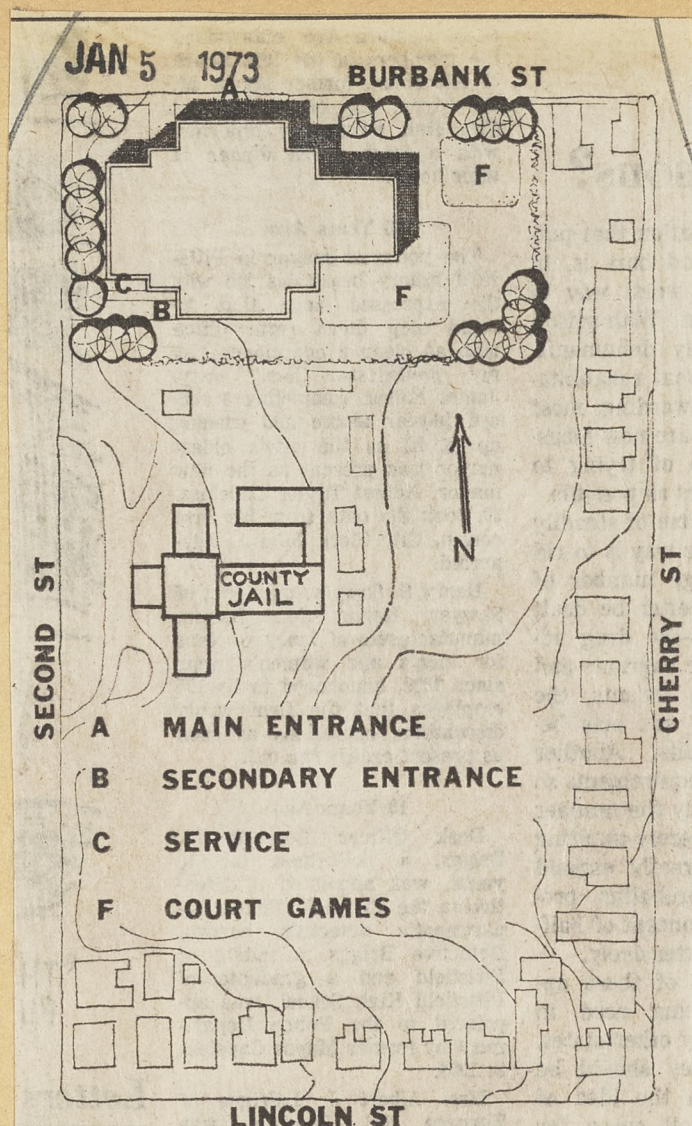
Carrots

Among other vegetables represented in Egremont School's parade entry, "Halloween in the Valley," were these animated carrots.



Footwork

Balloon salesman behind the lines at the parade restrains his merchandise while making a transaction.



MORNINGSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOL would be built on 2½ acres at the northern end of the county jail property under a plan endorsed by Community School Commission and City Council. Ultimately, the commission would like to see the jail, center, relocated so playfields could be developed on remaining 7 acres.

School Commission seeks state OK for jail site

The Community School Commission is seeking state approval of using the county jail property for a community school before the proposal goes to the County Commissioners, it was announced last night.

Commission Cochairman Thomas M. Connolly, calling state approval "our major mountain," said an official from the School Building Assistance Bureau will view the Second Street jail property "within a few weeks."

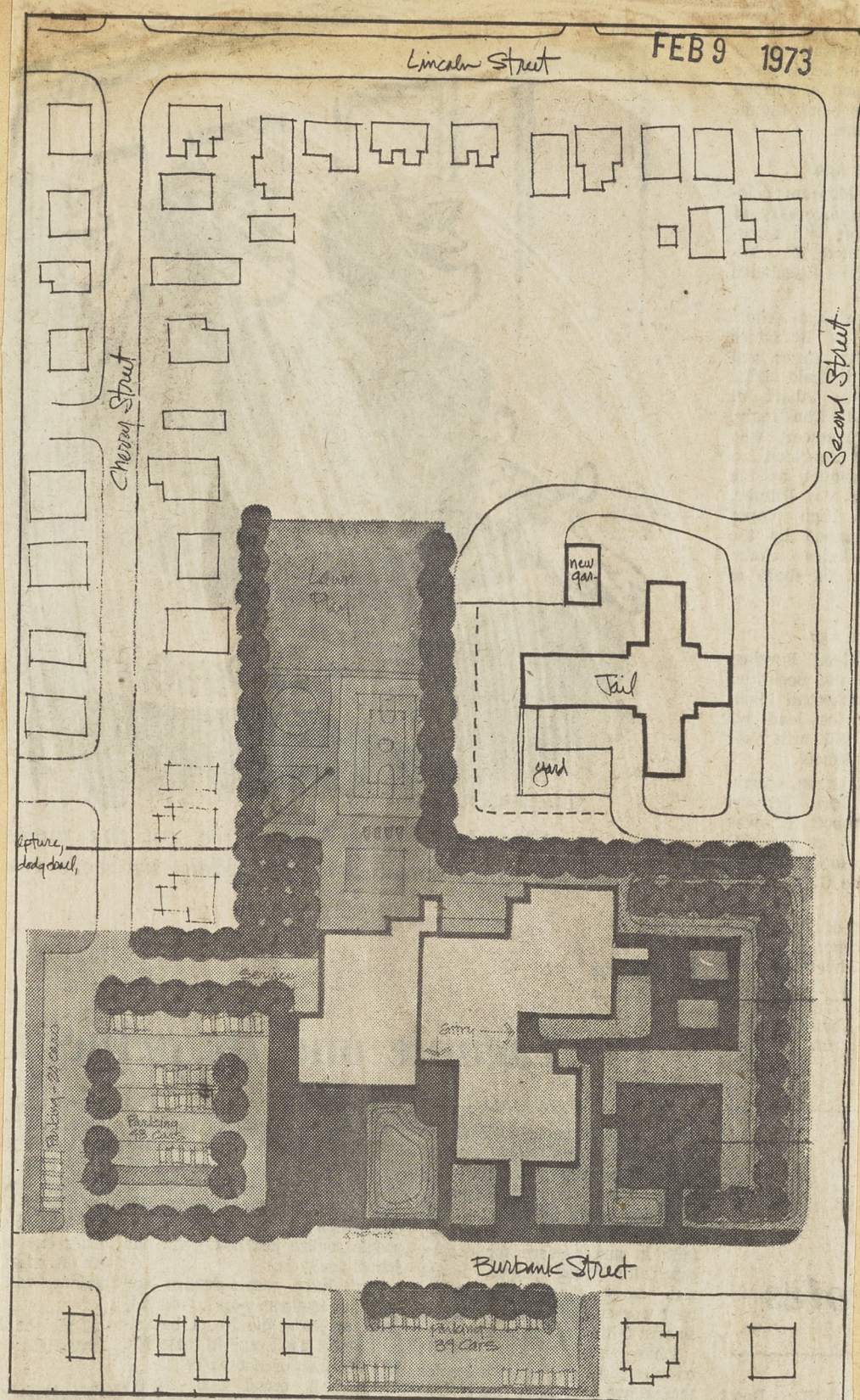
Without state approval, the city couldn't get the state to pay for 65 per cent of the proposed \$3 million, 600-pupil facility.

The commission wants to use 2½ acres of the 10-acre jail property (see map above), and it already has the backing of the City Council.

Before approaching the County Commissioners with the proposal, it wants assurances from the state that 2½ acres will be considered adequate. Normally, the state would require 16 acres for a 600-pupil school.

Connolly last night urged commission members to institute a "massive letter-writing" campaign to state legislators and the County Commissioners supporting the proposal.

He is hoping for success, because the commission has been stymied at every other potential school site in Morningside. Any other site would entail the taking of houses.



PROPOSED PLAN for using the county jail property for a Morningside community school contains several options, among them using land across Burbank and Cherry streets (lower left and bottom) for parking. If the jail (center right) is relocated, the site would be expanded up to the houses lining Lincoln Street.

Mayor agreeable to land swap to get jail site for school

By NICK KING

Mayor Butler says he is agreeable to swapping some city-owned land for the county jail property to facilitate construction of a Morningside community school.

Butler last night suggested two possibilities for the swap: part of the 16-acre tract the city owns on Cascade Street, or portions of the 48-acre former piggery property north of Crane Avenue.

The mayor's suggestions came at a Community School Commission meeting and are in response to the County Commissioners' statement earlier this week that they would be more amenable to relinquishing the Second Street jail property if a land swap could be arranged.

Leans to Cascade

Butler seemed especially open to swapping the Cascade Street property.

The commission will meet next Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the Red Feather House with the County Commission and County Sheriff John D. Courtney Jr.

Two plans for usage of the jail site and adjacent properties, aired before the commission last night, will be presented to the county officials.

On Wednesday, the day before that meeting, architectural as-

sistant Thomas Murphy plans to present the same proposals to the state School Building Assistance Bureau in Boston.

6.7 acres added

Under one of the plans, the commission would utilize 6.7 acres of the northern end of the jail property. If and when the jail is relocated, the school site would total 11.1 acres, according to Murphy.

Under the second plan, the site would be expanded to 7.7 acres—12.1 acres once the jail was moved—by taking some land across Burbank and Cherry streets.

The plan would call for closing off a portion of Cherry Street between Burbank and Willow streets and funneling traffic down Willow.

Both proposals would entail taking three houses at the corner of Burbank and Cherry, but the second and larger alternative would not take any additional occupied homes, Murphy said.

It is felt the second plan is the stronger since state guidelines specify that the site for a 600-pupil school should comprise 16 acres.

Board support needed

A long-range commitment from the County Commission is regarded as a virtual necessity

for receiving state approval of the school site. That approval means the state will assume 65 per cent of the cost of the project.

Meanwhile, Community School Commission cochairman Thomas M. Connolly urged Morningside residents to sign petitions supporting use of the jail site for the community school.

The Crane School PTO will hold a meeting on the issue Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the school. A presentation of the plans will be made at the Rice School PTO meeting Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the school.

FEB 13 1973
Greenhouse talk set on using chemicals in horticulture

The Springside Park Greenhouse Group has invited the public to a talk at the greenhouse tomorrow night at 8 p.m. on the topic of "Chemicals in Horticulture." Speaker will be William J. Bennett, regional floriculture and nursery specialist for the Pioneer Valley-Berkshire Extension Region of the Hampden County Improvement League.

Bennett in his talk will touch on chemical activity in regard to plant growth, including nutrition and fertilizer, insecticidal activity, fungicides, soil sterilization and herbicides, and will show slides to implement his talk. A question period will follow.

Members of the Greenhouse Group, who are under the direction of Carl Deame, will be at the greenhouse at 7:30 p.m. to provide tours of the facility for interested persons. The greenhouse is at 874 North St.

MAR 2 1973
Greenhouse annual event set for Sunday

The Springside Park Greenhouse Group will hold its fifth annual open house Sunday at 874 North St. from 10 to 4.

Edmund J. Mastrovito, president, and Nicholas J. Debacher, vice president of the group, are chairmen of the event cosponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Carl P. Deame is director and lecturer for the group which meets for instruction weekly at the Springside greenhouse, a city facility not used by the city during the winter months.

Deame, who is on the faculty of Miss Hall's School, teaches two courses in plant science in the newly constructed greenhouse there. He is also a greenhouse instructor in the activities program at Austen Riggs Center, Stockbridge.

The display of plants, most of which were grown from seed or cuttings, and a guided tour of the greenhouse facilities will be open to the public. Plants, soil and planters will be for sale. Refreshments will be served.

MAR 5 1973
Thousand make greenhouse tour

Spring came to the Springside Park greenhouse yesterday, where more than 1,000 persons attended the fifth annual open house sponsored by the Greenhouse Group.

Senior and junior members of the group conducted guided tours of the greenhouse facilities. Carl P. Deame, director and lecturer, reported that soil mix and macrame hangers made by the members were in great demand. Refreshments were well received by the many persons who turned out to view the display of plants grown from seed or cuttings.

Scouts will visit Greenhouse Group

Junior members of the Springside Park Greenhouse Group will entertain two troops of Girl Scouts at their weekly meeting at the greenhouse Saturday at 10 a.m.

A large terrarium made by members of the Greenhouse Group has been won in a drawing by Timothy Smith, 13, of 108 Bryan St. The terrarium for a time was on display at the City Savings Bank. **MAR 9 1973**

Breeder of begonias will give talk here

Prof. Gilbert Harlow of Schenectady, N.Y., developer of the Harlow hybrid begonia, will speak at a meeting of the Springside Park Greenhouse Group, Wednesday at 8 p.m.

Using all the best-named varieties obtainable in the United States and abroad, he made hundreds of cross-growings before developing the Harlow hybrid, a strain of begonia that thrives in the Northeast.

Prof. Harlow, who is on the Union College faculty, will display plants, show slides and answer questions. The meeting to be held in the greenhouse potting shed, is open to the public. There is no charge for admission.

Forty-one members of the Greenhouse Group attended the annual New England Spring Garden and Flower Show at the Commonwealth Armory in Boston Thursday. **MAR 26 1973**

—The Berkshire Eagle, Tuesday, Sept. 18, 1973

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Mark Mitchell
Carl Deame, director of the Springside Park Greenhouse Group, regales visitors to Sunday's open house. They are, from left, Mrs. William Stanger, Mrs. Roger Northrup, Mrs. John Bresnahan and Miss Noreen Quillard.

Springside Greenhouse Group elects Edmund J. Mastrovito

Officers of the Springside Park Greenhouse Group have been announced in conjunction with the group's open house last Sunday.

Edmund J. Mastrovito of 11 Delaware Ave. was named president, according to Carl P. Deame, group director.

Other officers are Francis Winstead, vice president; Mrs. Jane S. Hurt, secretary; Mastrovito, treasurer; Nicholas J. Debacher, purchasing agent, and Mrs. Roy B. Arnold, corresponding secretary.

Deame said Mastrovito, Debacher and Peter B. Whittemore Jr. will also work with the junior group. On Sunday, members served as guides in the Springside Park greenhouse and sponsored a plant sale.

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New season is launched by Greenhouse Group

An open house Sunday is among events marking the start of a new season this week by the Springside Park Greenhouse Group.

The open house will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the greenhouse and gardens at the park. The event will be open to the public free.

Plant course starts

The Greenhouse Group's annual plant course began today and will run to April 1. The course will again be directed by Carl P. Deame, assisted by advanced members of the group, Nicholas J. Debacher, Edmund J. Mastrovito, Peter B. Whittemore Jr. and Mrs. Marcel E. Peltier. It will consist of 30 weekly workshops.

In addition to the regular weekly meetings, there will be three special programs conducted by professionals from the University of Massachusetts. The dates for these talks and the speakers will be announced later. Another popular program of last year to be repeated is the terraria workshop. This and the other special pro-

grams will be open to the public free of charge.

Deame has outlined the various membership categories:

First-year membership — Limited to 24 people, each allotted 15 square feet of space.

Second-year membership — Same stipulations as for first year, but these members may go on to become advanced members.

Advanced members — Allowed 9 square feet of space each. This group is limited to 16.

All of the above adult members meet Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 11:30.

Youth memberships

There are youth memberships, limited to 12 persons between 9 and 16, each of whom is allotted 9 square feet of space. They must be sponsored by an adult. This group meets Saturdays from 9 to 11 a.m.

Persons applying for any of these memberships must be residents of Pittsfield.

There is also an associate membership which is open to both residents and nonresidents. Associate members may attend lectures and cultural workshops but have no greenhouse space. This membership is limited to 10.

Limits on membership have to be established because of the lack of space, Deame said.

Vacancies still exist in the first-year and youth memberships. Application may be made at the Department of Parks and Recreation, 874 North St., or to Mrs. Jane S. Hurt, 81 Ridgeway Ave.

Terrarium program is tomorrow at Springside Park

The youth group of Springside Garden Club will hold its terrarium program at 9 a.m. tomorrow at the Springside Park greenhouse.

Carl Deame, program director, Edward J. Mastrovito and Nicholas J. Debacher will be instructors, assisted by garden club members. Those attending are to bring their own containers, which can be anything from an aquarium to a snifter or glass, but a large-mouthed container is suggested. All other materials will be furnished.

The session is open to the public.

More than 50 made terrariums at the open house Wednesday.

NOV 30 1973

Cooling it at the greenhouse

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Your suggestion ["In Brief," Nov. 7] that it is "not unfair to ask members of the Springside Greenhouse Group to buy the oil themselves" would be no different than asking all the people taking night courses in our schools to help supply the heat in the schools.

It would seem that learning how to grow flowers is just as important as, let's say, learning carpentry, or sewing, or one of the many other hobby crafts that have been available in night classes.

The program at Springside has been available to persons of all ages, from school children to retired senior citizens.

All the hard-earned monies

their group have made have been turned back to the city in the form of beautification and money to improve the greenhouse. The program has given knowledge to hundreds of people eager for courses not available in our schools and pleasure to thousands of people attending the flower shows put on several times a year.

Anyone who has seen the results of the Greenhouse Group must say, "Keep it up!"

By the way, they have reduced the greenhouse temperature to 45 degrees to conserve oil — and the flowers are happy, too!

SYDNEY R. KANTER

166 North St.
Pittsfield

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Terrarium class at Springside

The Springside Garden Club will hold a terrarium program tomorrow at 8 p.m. at the greenhouse at Springside House, under the direction of Carl Deame.

The class is open to the public. Members will act as instructors. Moss and plants will be supplied. Those attending should bring their own container.

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APR 16 1973
Easter egg hunt
set for Sunday

The annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Pittsfield Exchange Club is scheduled for Sunday at 3 p.m. behind North Junior High School. Douglas Chamberlain of the Exchange Club is the chairman.

The hunt is open to all area children 9 years old and younger. They will be grouped by ages and will search for prize eggs along with other children in their age groups.

APR 21 1973
Procedures
for egg hunt
are outlined

Douglas Chamberlain, chairman of the annual Easter egg hunt which is cosponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Pittsfield Exchange Club today announced the pen captains who will be assisting him with this event. They follow: ages 2 and under, Henry Zopf; 3 and 4, Paul LePage; 5 and 6, Ron Ireland; 7, 8 and 9, Len Gerardi.

The chairman reminded all parents to plan on arriving early. It will start promptly at 3 p.m. and is expected to be over within a few minutes. The event will be held near the tennis courts behind North Junior High School. All children are asked to bring their own baskets or bags to hold collected eggs.

In each of the four age divisions, prizes will be awarded for the children finding the following eggs: golden egg, silver egg, black egg, smallest egg, and largest egg.

Guest at this event will be Twitch the bunny, who will visit with the children before and after the hunt. This will be the final appearance of Twitch for the season.

In case of inclement weather, announcement of postponement will be made over local radio stations.

APR 21 1973
Family kite day
set for May 6

The Department of Parks and Recreation is planning a family kite-flying day for Sunday, May 6, at 2 p.m. in the fields near the Children's Zoo in Springside Park.

The event is planned as a family day with prizes for kites in such categories as largest, smallest, prettiest, ugliest and most original—all of which must be capable of flying before they can be judged. There will also be a prize awarded to the oldest kite flyer.

The department has available some instructions on the construction of two different types of kites. The instructions may be obtained by contacting the department at 874 North St.

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Photos by Warren Fowler

THE MAD SCRAMBLE for Easter eggs looked like this when the starting gun for the hunt was fired.

More than 1,200 scramble for eggs

Between 1,200 and 1,500 children and parents turned out for yesterday's annual city Easter egg hunt on the fields of North Junior High School.

Record warmth

Plagued in past years by adverse weather and canceled last year altogether, the joint Department of Parks and Recreation-Pittsfield Exchange Club event was held yesterday in ideal weather conditions which pushed the mercury to a record high for the date.

Meteorologist George J. Bulgarelli said the high of 83 was two degrees higher than the previous April 22 mark set in 1962 and just 2 degrees under

the all-time high for the month. Chairing the event for the Exchange Club was Douglas Chamberlain.

Prizewinners

Prizewinners in the four age divisions follow:

—Ages 2 and under:

Golden egg, Jennifer Betit, 22 months, 70 Euclid Ave.; black egg, Brian Kelly, 2, 156 Draper Ave.; silver egg, Tammy Maynard, 2, 164 Windsor Ave.; largest egg, Scott Hunter, 2, 70 Lakeview St.; smallest egg, Kandy Stiefel, 2, 106 Madison Ave.

—Ages 3 and 4:

Golden egg, Gale Lyons, 4, 51 Leona Drive; black egg, Peter Marchetti, 4, 27 Courtland Place; silver egg, Brian Bizzi, 4, 99 West Union St.; largest egg, Robert Bruno, 4, 67 Stoddard Ave.; smallest egg, Ann Roche, 3, 62 Richmond Ave.

—Ages 5 and 6:

Golden egg, David Scalise, 6, 89 Allengate Ave.; black egg, Jeffrey Snyder, 6, 31 Orchard St.; silver egg, Anthony Shacar, 6, Bridge St.; largest egg, John Stiefel, 6, 106 Madison Ave.; smallest egg, Douglas Delphia, 6, 140 Burbank St.

—Ages 7, 8 and 9:

Golden egg, Patrick McManus, 8, 40 Pollock Ave.; black egg, Daniel Robillard, 9, 116 Cromwell Ave.; silver egg, Andy Tower, 8, 60 Garland Ave.; largest egg, Stephen Garzone, 8, 269 Francis Ave.; smallest egg, William Gavin, 7, 84 Davis St.



LOST IN THE MELEE, John Christopher Harris hears an appeal sounded for his parents by Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert during yesterday's Easter egg hunt to rear of North Junior High School. Some 1,500 attended.

MAY 5 1973
Kite flying
set Sunday
at Springside

The second family kite flying day sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation will be tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the fields near the Children's Zoo at Springside Park.

Activities are informal. People may arrive any time after 2 p.m., and join other children and adults in an afternoon of kite flying. They are also invited to visit the Children's Zoo, which is open for the season with most of its summer inhabitants in residence.

People who have home-made kites and want them judged, should register before 2:30 p.m. Awards will be presented in the following categories: Largest, smallest, prettiest, ugliest, most original, most unusual, and most comical. An award also will be presented to the oldest kite flier participating. All kites must be flyable in order to be eligible for judging.

18—The Berkshire Eagle, Monday, May 7, 1973

40 compete in Family Kite Flying Day

Kite-eating trees are not just a figment of Charles Schulz's cartoon strip.

About 40 kite flyers, most of them successful but a few as dependent as Charlie Brown, competed in yesterday's second annual Family Kite Flying Day sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

With some 200 spectators at Springside Park, creations of various sizes and shapes were launched by a steady breeze, most staying wind-borne, others consumed by trees and a few crashing to the earth.

Most of the kites were store-bought but seven were home-made, four from different colored large-size garbage bags.

The seven were each presented awards that follow:

Largest — Martin Szymanski of 200 Second St. a 6 by 3-foot rectangular creation of orange and green madris tissue paper.

Most humorous — Christopher Jackman of 52 Broad St., age 8, a diamond-shaped kite decorated as a smiling lion's head.

Most original — Akiko Kawai of 132 Pine Grove Drive, 8, a brown garbage bag creation that resembled a pillow case filled with air in flight.

Most unusual — Rintaro Kawai of 132 Pine Grove Drive, 11, a brown plastic kite that was diamond shaped and was blown up.

Smallest — Hanijiro Kawai of 132 Pine Grove Drive, 7, another brown bag creation of flexible shape.

Prettiest — Beverly Walker of 43 Myrtle St., 11, a bird-style kite made of red print material with kittens on it.

Best decorated — Tracy Carnevale of 18 Leslie Drive, 8, another plastic creation with a smaller kite on it saying "May Brings May Flowers."

Harry Lee, a high school student, had the kite that was the farthest out in the sky. He let out about 1,500 feet of string in the two hours he was there and the kite was barely visible in the sky.

MAY 14 1973
Swimming shows
set at Girls Club

The Department of Parks and Recreation and the Girls Club will sponsor two synchronized swimming demonstrations Friday in the Girls Club pool.

Performances will be at 7:15 and 8:15 p.m. Admission will be by free tickets, which are available at the office at the Girls Club. Because of limited seating capacity in the pool area, each performance will be limited to 125 persons.

The demonstration will consist of 11 selections. Included will be traditional synchronized swimming numbers as well as some experimentation with aquatic art. Aquatic art employs the concepts of synchronized swimming but stresses the development of specific theme or idea.

Instructor for the program is Miss Andrea G. Snell, recreation supervisor for the Park Department.

SEP 15 1973
City Halloween parade
scheduled for Oct. 31

The 29th annual Halloween parade, sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Berkshire Eagle is scheduled for 7 p.m., Oct. 31.

The parade committee is looking for marching bands, organizations, schools and recreation agencies interested in participating by entering either a costumed marching delegation or a float.

Groups planning on constructing floats should contact the Park Department as soon as possible so they may receive copies of the requirements all floats must meet. Floats entered in the parade must develop a Halloween theme and may not be used to advertise a product or support a political candidate.

As in previous years, there will be awards for the top floats and bands in the parade, as well as for the marching delegation with the most participants. Awards are also presented for individual marchers.

Anyone interested in assisting the Halloween committee in the planning and conducting of the event should contact the Park Department.

Halloween party attended by 250

The annual Halloween party sponsored recently by the Department of Parks and Recreation and the Girls Club was attended by 250 persons at the club.

First-prize costume winners were: Darla and Donna Seddon,

most original; Carol Pixley, prettiest; Michelle Casella, best witch; Tammy Carroll, funniest; and Christine Hoffmeister, ugliest.

Judges were Miss Constance Green, Patrick West and Mrs. Ervin R. Winn.

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Giant UFO
in making
for parade

The creators of The Berkshire Eagle's Halloween float are accepting responsibility for reported sightings of a "monstrous flying object" in the area.

Daniel Maloy of The Eagle's composing room said the float for Wednesday's parade will be "noisy and monstrous." He said the flying object will measure 28 feet wide and 35 feet high.

Other workers

Helping create the monster are Frederick McGinnis and Russell Stanger of The Eagle and employees of the Pittsfield Neon Sign, whose truck will be used to transport the float.

The 29th annual Halloween parade sponsored by The Eagle and the Department of Parks and Recreation will begin at 7 p.m.

A balloon sale will be staged by the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club during the parade, according to club president Raymond A. Hospot.

He said club members participating in this fund-raising activity should call the Park Department by Wednesday noon to find out where to meet. Profits from this sale will help defray ice-time rental and travel expenses of the skaters, he said.

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Halloween party
scheduled at YMCA

YMCA officials have announced that in cooperation with the Department of Parks and Recreation, they will sponsor a Halloween party for boys and girls in Grades 1-6 at the Y on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 7 to 9:30 p.m. The party is open to youth members of the Y and their family members.

Plans call for a costume parade for all who attend, with prizes being offered to the winners. Games will be played, and cartoon movies will be shown. Refreshments will be served. Youngsters planning to attend are asked to call the YMCA by Oct. 24.

Pumpkin contest set Friday

The Department of Parks and Recreation's annual pumpkin contest will be held Friday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Boys' Club.

Open to children in kindergarten through 6th grades, the contest will present first and second-place awards in six categories — largest, spookiest, funniest, ugliest, most original and saddest — and there will also be a grand prize.

Department officials said that children should bring their decorated pumpkins to the main lobby of the Boys' Club at 6:30, where they will be placed in categories for judging. While

the pumpkins are being judged, the children will be entertained in the old gymnasium by Gerald J. McConkey, a local magician. Following the completion of judging, awards will be presented and all pumpkins will be returned to the children.

If parents wish to stay and watch the entertainment during the judging, they are welcome, the department said.

Parks and Recreation staff members will be assisted by members of the physical education and recreation programs at Berkshire Community College.

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OCT 8 1973
Meeting Wednesday
on Halloween parade

Schools and organizations planning to participate in this year's Halloween parade sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation are invited to send representatives to a meeting Wednesday night.

The department's Halloween parade committee is planning to meet at 7 at Springside House.

General information on the parade will be available, as well as information on float construction.

Persons interested in working with the Halloween committee on the planning, conducting and judging aspects of this event have been asked to attend. Committee members said those who have not yet contacted the Department of Parks and Recreation should do so as soon as possible.

PAID POLITICAL ADVERTISEMENT

Trick-or-treat
night scheduled
for Tuesday

Mayor Butler has proclaimed next Tuesday evening from 6 to 8 as trick-or-treat night.

The following night, Halloween, will be celebrated here by the 29th annual parade sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department and The Berkshire Eagle. It will be held at 7.

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OCT 25 1973
Boys' Club plans
Halloween party

The annual Halloween party at the Boys' Club is scheduled for Monday at 6 p.m. in the Lighthouse, according to Supt. James J. Mooney. The Boys' Club and the city Department of Parks and Recreation are sponsoring the party.

All boys must wear costumes, Mooney said.

Tickets, at 35 cents apiece, are on sale at the club lobby.

CYC will stage
Halloween party

The Catholic Youth Center will have its Halloween party for members on Saturday from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Refreshments will be served and prizes awarded for the funniest, ugliest and most original costumes.

Members planning to attend should make reservations at the Center's game room before Friday.

The party is cosponsored by the Pittsfield Park department.

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OCT 25 1973
Last call issued
for Oct. 31 paraders

The Halloween Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation today issued a last call for persons, groups or bands that are planning on participating in the annual Halloween parade, sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation and The Berkshire Eagle.

The parade is scheduled for 7 p.m. next Wednesday, Oct. 31, and will be held rain or shine. Interested persons were asked today by the Park Department to contact the department at once.

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Paul Rocheleau

GRAND - PRIZE PUMPKIN was created by Bruce Swanson, 11, of 59 Hamlin St. for this year's Department of Parks and Recreation pumpkin contest. A total of 60 decorated pumpkins were in the competition.

OCT 30 1973

S. Hadley band to perform in parade tonight

The 210-member South Hadley High School Tiger Marching Hundred Band will participate in tonight's Halloween parade, the Department of Parks and Recreation announced today.

The parade sponsored by the Park Department and The Eagle will begin at 7 p.m. at Park Square. It will proceed up North Street to Wahconah Park.

The South Hadley band, consisting of 160 players and a girls' drill team, is well-known on the East Coast.

The band has also played at professional football games and at the North Adams Fall Foliage Festival and will play at this year's Rose Bowl game.

Halloween parade tomorrow

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Sparky, the Firedog, will lead off tomorrow's Halloween parade, beginning at 7 p.m. on East Street at Park Square.

The 66-unit parade sponsored by The Berkshire Eagle and the Department of Parks and Recreation will proceed up North Street, past the reviewing stand at the First Agricultural National Bank, and then down Wahconah Street to the entrance to Wahconah Park.

The floats will let children off at the diner near the park. The floats will then drive back to their home base while the bands and marching units will enter Wahconah Park.

Lineup for the parade will take place on East Street no later than 6:30, with floats lining up on the north or Girls Club side and bands and marching units congregating on the south or Pittsfield High side.

Where vehicles start

Convertibles and other vehicles in the parade will meet in the Wills Street parking lot and will be fed into the line of march from there.

Children wishing to have their costumes judged should be in

position by 6:30 as members of the PHS cadettes will be presenting ribbons prior to parade time. Ribbon winners will march at the head of their units.

The city has asked that drivers use alternate routes around the East Street area tomorrow beginning around 6:15 p.m. In the event of inclement weather, announcements concerning the parade will be made over the radio at 5:30 p.m. tomorrow.

Assisting with the parade this year are the PHS Cadettes, the Beta Sigma Phi sorority and the Berkshire Community College leaders club.

Judges will be Mrs. Daniel Landers, Midd Debby DuCharme and Bruce Archibald, floats, and Mrs. Louis E. Orazio, Miss Bonnie Rayner and Philip A. Heller, bands. Miss Nancy G. Jewett will be in charge of the reviewing stand.

The parade lineup follows:

Section 1 at Bartlett Avenue:

1. Police car
2. Park Department car
3. Red Cross car
4. Grand marshal Sparky
5. Fire truck
6. New Lebanon Central band
7. Winter Carnival queen
8. Allendale School float
9. Allendale School marchers
10. Bartlett School
11. Briggs School
12. American Legion Eagles Band
13. Catholic Central Elementary School
14. Catholic Central Middle School
15. Crane School float
16. Crane School marchers
17. Crosby Junior High band
18. Dawes School
19. Egremont School float
20. Egremont School marchers
21. UNICEF float and fire trucks

Section 2 at Pomeroy Avenue:

22. Lee High School band
23. North Junior High masked group

24. Hibbard School float
25. Hibbard School marchers
26. Highland School
27. Mercer School float
28. Mercer School marchers
29. Berkshire Farm drum and drill
30. Girls Club float
31. Girls Club marchers
32. Plunkett School
33. Lenox Junior Miss contestants
34. Rice School float
35. Rice School marchers
36. Redfield School
37. South Hadley band

Section 3 at PHS driveway entrance:

38. Lanesboro Cub Scouts
39. Christian Center
40. Western Mass. Electric Co. float
41. New England Brassmen
42. Russell School
43. Sacred Heart School
44. Girl Scout Troop 55 float
45. St. Mark's School
46. Pom Poms drum corps
47. Pom Poms float
48. Pomeroy School
49. Wahconah Regional High band
50. Stearns School float
51. Stearns School marchers

Section 4 at PHS driveway exit:

52. PHS band
53. PHS Cadettes
54. Boys' Club marchers
55. Tucker School float
56. Tucker School marchers
57. Pop Korn
58. Central Annex marchers
59. South Junior High Band
60. South Junior High float
61. CYC marchers
62. Pontoosuc School
63. Williams School float
64. Williams School marchers
65. Speigleaires
66. Berkshire Eagle float

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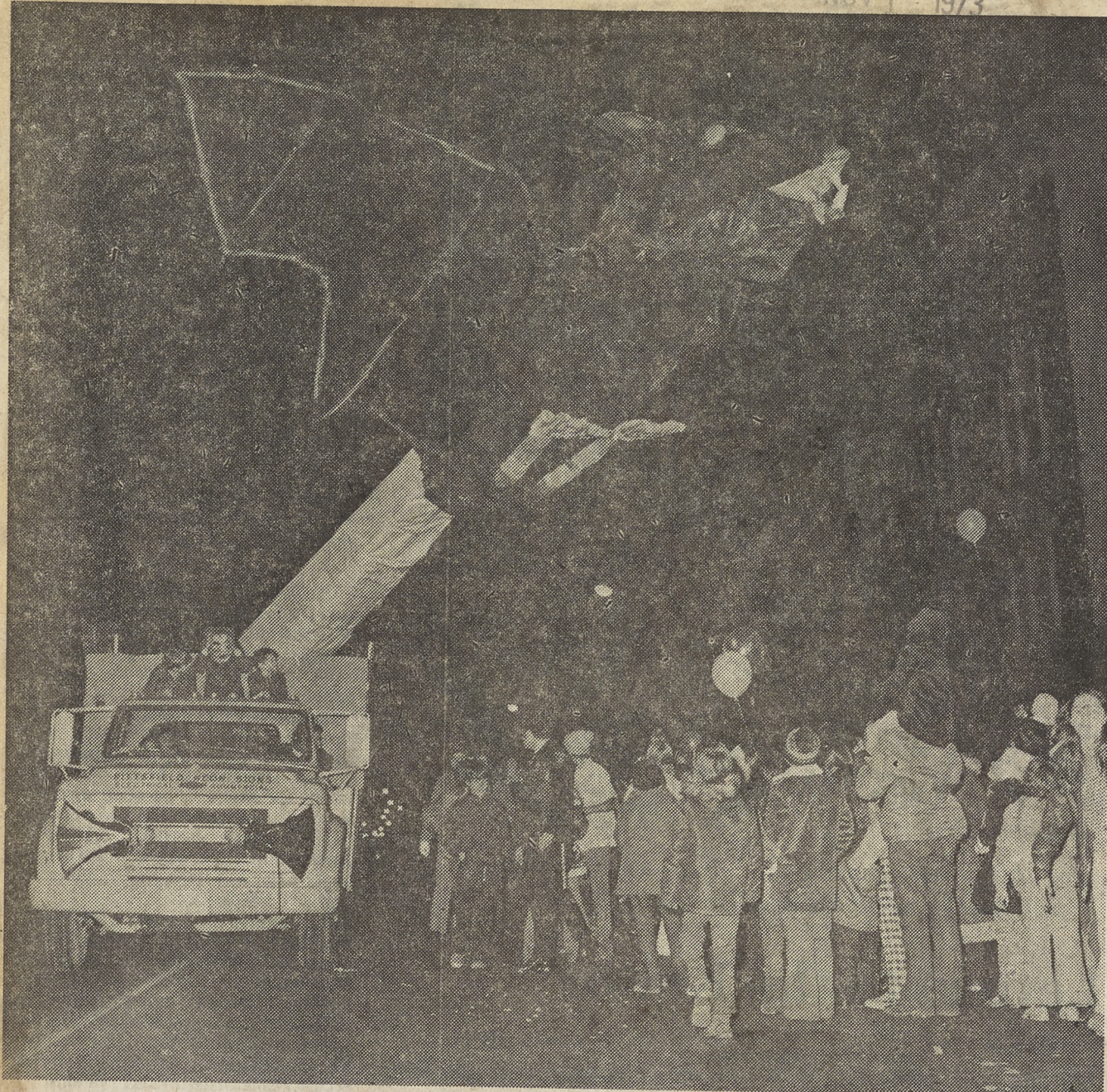


FIRST-PRIZE WINNER in the float division at last night's Halloween parade was "Bug Party" by Wil-

liams School, featuring a spider, center top, that slid back and forth on a wire. Story page 17.

Joel Librizzi

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Photos by Paul Rocheleau

THE DINGBAT, the Halloween float entered by The Berkshire Eagle in last night's parade, had animated wings, head and mouth as it swung over the large North Street crowd emitting shrieks and screams.



EGREMONT SCHOOL children dressed as vegetables appeared in parade to illustrate the school's float, second-prize-winning "Halloween in the Valley."

Huge crowd lines North St. to watch Halloween parade

A crowd estimated at 20,000 to 40,000 persons last night lined North Street — in spots 10 deep — for what is being described as one of the best Halloween parades in Pittsfield history.

A dozen bands, 16 floats and hundreds of school children disguised as everything from ruffians and witches to candy and ghouls thrilled the spectators jamming the line of march from Park Square to Wahconah Park.

A Fire Department spokesman, who noted that there was a large turnout of children for the 29th annual spectacle, placed the crowd at 25,000. A Police Department estimate said it approached 40,000.

The threatening weather held off until later in the night, granting the 66-unit, one-hour procession of fantasies a perfect

setting. Many political candidates capitalized on this; both mayoral candidates were observed as well as Mayor Donald G. Butler, who sat with his wife in the reviewing stand at the First Agricultural National Bank.

Judging from crowd response, the most popular musical and marching unit was the South Hadley High School Tiger Hundred Marching Band. The band, 210 strong, is well-known on the East Coast and will appear in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1.

The parade started with Sparky the Fire Dog who was the grand marshal, and was capped by "The Dingbat," a huge animated bat constructed by The Berkshire Eagle, which cosponsors the parade with the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Although the mechanized bird suffered a momentary breakdown at Eagle Street, it was undoubtedly the scariest and eeriest entry in the parade. The bat, mounted on a Pittsfield Neon Sign Co. truck, emitted a continuous chorus of spine-tingling shrieks as it hovered over the crowd.

Electronic help

The line of march was spotted with the usual number of kids on bicycles, dogs, balloon men and UNICEF solicitors, as well as viewers who came prepared with lawn chairs. Parade officials kept things running smoothly via walkie-talkies.

Winners and their prizes were, for floats, Williams School, first prize for "The Bug Party," \$150; Egremont School, second for "Halloween in the Valley," \$100, and Crane School,

third for "Trick or Treat at Ye Olde Crane Inn," \$75.

Honorable mentions went to the floats of Mercer School, "The Devil Made Me Do It"; Pom Poms, "The Ghost Ship"; Stearns School, "Halloween Under the Sea," and Tucker School, "Halloween in Candyland."

Band prizes

Band prizes were awarded to the Speigleaires of Speigletown, N.Y., first prize of \$100; the Pom Poms, second prize of \$75, and the Wahconah Regional High School band, third prize of \$50. Honorable mentions went to the Lee High School band and the South Junior High School band.

Rice School was awarded a prize for having the largest percentage of the school in the line of march, with honorable mentions going to Central Annex, Egremont, Plunkett and Mercer.

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Tree lighting.

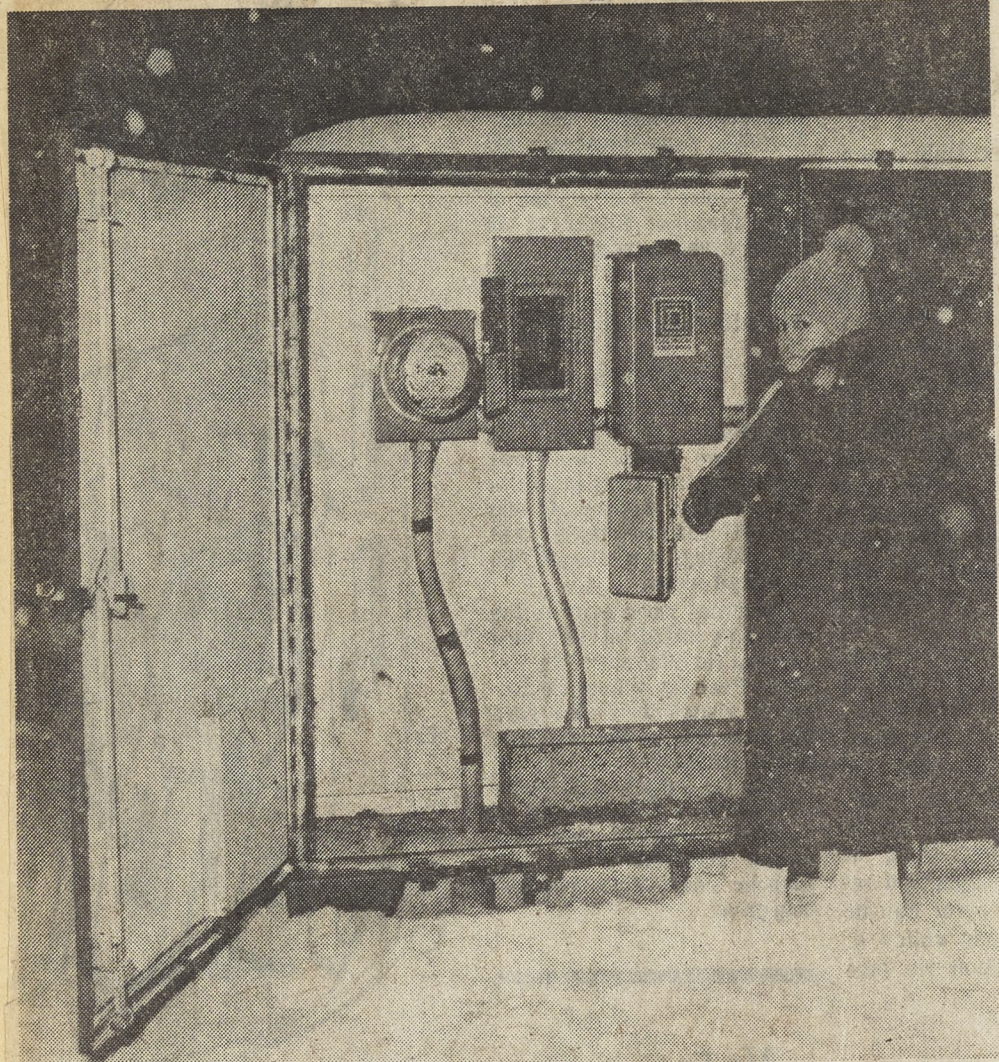
set Monday

The Department of Parks and Recreation announced today that the annual tree-lighting ceremony in Park Square will take place on Monday at 7 p.m. The Pittsfield High School Madrigals, under the direction of Mrs. Morton Wayne will lead the public in singing familiar Christmas carols.

With the lack of outdoor lighting in so many other areas this year, the opportunity to light the city tree and creche recently was made possible by not lighting the mercury lumen street lamps in the park. The lights will be on each evening from 5 to 10 and on Christmas Eve from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Jill Francis of 8 Worthington St., the 6-year-old granddaughter of Mrs. Emma Vaccaro, donor of this year's tree, will throw the switch to light the tree Monday.

DEC 18 1973



Paul Rocheleau

FLIPPING THE SWITCH that turns on the lights for the Christmas tree and creche in Park Square is Jill Francis, 6½, of 8 Worthington St. A pupil at Pomeroy School, the youngster is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Francis.

Christmas lights are turned on

The Department of Parks and Recreation set the stage last night for a bright Christmas in Park Square.

Before a gathering of only 50 people, the lights illuminating the Christmas tree and creche were turned on to the accompaniment of traditional caroling.

The Parks Department had earlier voted against Christmas lighting in the interests of saving energy. But the decision was reversed after Western Mass. Electric Co. said there would be a net saving of wattage if the two mercury lights in the park are turned off while the Christmas lights are on.

The holiday lights will be on a

reduced schedule: daily from 5 to 10 p.m. and until 1 a.m. Christmas morning.

Jill Francis of 8 Worthington St., 6½-year-old granddaughter of the tree's donor, had the honor of flicking on the light switch.

The caroling was by the Pittsfield High School Madrigals under the direction of Mrs. Elsbet Wayne. The crowd observing the festivities was smaller than usual, presumably because of the snowstorm and bitter cold.

City Hall briefs

Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, with the mayor's support, is seeking \$16,000 from the City Council for installation of 24 additional floodlights at Wahconah Park, home field of the Pittsfield Rangers and high school football teams.

Mayor Butler is complying with a City Council request that he put up \$3,300 for a photo-identification system for young drinkers and the establishments that serve them. The Council rejected the proposal, initiated by Councilman Henry V. Marchisio, the first time the mayor submitted the spending order.

MAR 23 1973

MAR 28 1973 Wahconah Park lighting set for improvement

Wahconah Park will have better lighting for Pittsfield Ranger night games this season.

The City Council yesterday on an 8-3 vote appropriated \$16,000 sought by Parks Supt. Vincent J. Hebert to bring the field's illumination closer to professional baseball standards.

The new lights, two banks of 12 power spots each, will increase the night visibility in the outfield. Infield lighting was boosted in 1970.

Hebert said high school and Legion teams will also benefit from the new lighting and that it will be useful for special events like drum corps contests.

Voting against the appropriation were Councilmen Raymond E. Crow, Paul E. Brindle and Philip J. Tully Jr.

Circus coming July 10

The Pittsfield lodge of Elks 272, will sponsor the Clyde Beatty-Cole Brothers Circus July 10 at Wahconah Park here.

This is the 10th year the lodge has sponsored the circus as a fund-raising activity for its charity fund. There will be two performances, one afternoon and one evening. Advance sale of tickets will begin Monday. Guy A. Pellegrinelli, registrar of probate court, is chairman of the circus committee.

MAR 4 1973

PHS opens grid slate Sept. 14

Generals play night contest at Hudson, N.Y.

The Pittsfield High football team will open an eight-game schedule with a nonconference contest against Hudson High at Hudson, N.Y., Friday night, Sept. 14. The Generals will play four home and four away games and three night tilts.

Home opponents will be White Plains (N.Y.) High in an independent night clash, Taconic High in a Class A Conference night contest and Hoosac Valley and Wahconah Regional in league afternoon meetings. Away contests in addition to the Hudson opener will be with Northampton, Drury and St. Joseph's High.

White Plains returns to the PHS schedule after an absence of four seasons. The two schools played each other in 1965, 1967 and 1968.

Coach Joe Gleason's club has preseason scrimmages slated with Greenfield Sept. 1 there and with West Springfield Sept. 8 here.

The schedule is:

Sept. 14, at Hudson; 22, at Northampton; 28, White Plains; Oct. 6, at Drury; 12, Taconic; 20, Hoosac Valley; 27, Wahconah; Nov. 3, at St. Joseph's.

Braves list 3 opponents from valley

City series set for successive Friday nights

The Taconic High football schedule includes three successive games with Connecticut Valley opponents. Coach Bill Murray's team will meet Westfield here Sept. 22, will play at West Springfield on Sept. 29, and will play Northampton here Oct. 6.

The eight-game schedule opens at Hoosac Valley Sept. 15. The two city series games will be played on successive Friday nights, with the Braves meeting Pittsfield on Oct. 12 and St. Joseph's on the 19th.

The last two games are away as the Braves travel to Drury on Oct. 27 and finish with Wahconah Regional at Dalton on Nov. 3.

The Taconic soccer team is slated for a minimum of 15 games with Berkshire County opponents. The schedule shows two open dates and four potential tournament dates. Ralph Gionet is soccer coach.

The jayvee soccer schedule lists 11 games with county opponents and two with Hudson, N.Y.

FOOTBALL

Sept. 15, at Hoosac; 22, Westfield; 29, at West Springfield; Oct. 6, Northampton; 12, at Pittsfield; 19, at St. Joseph (P); 27, at Drury; Nov. 3, at Wahconah.

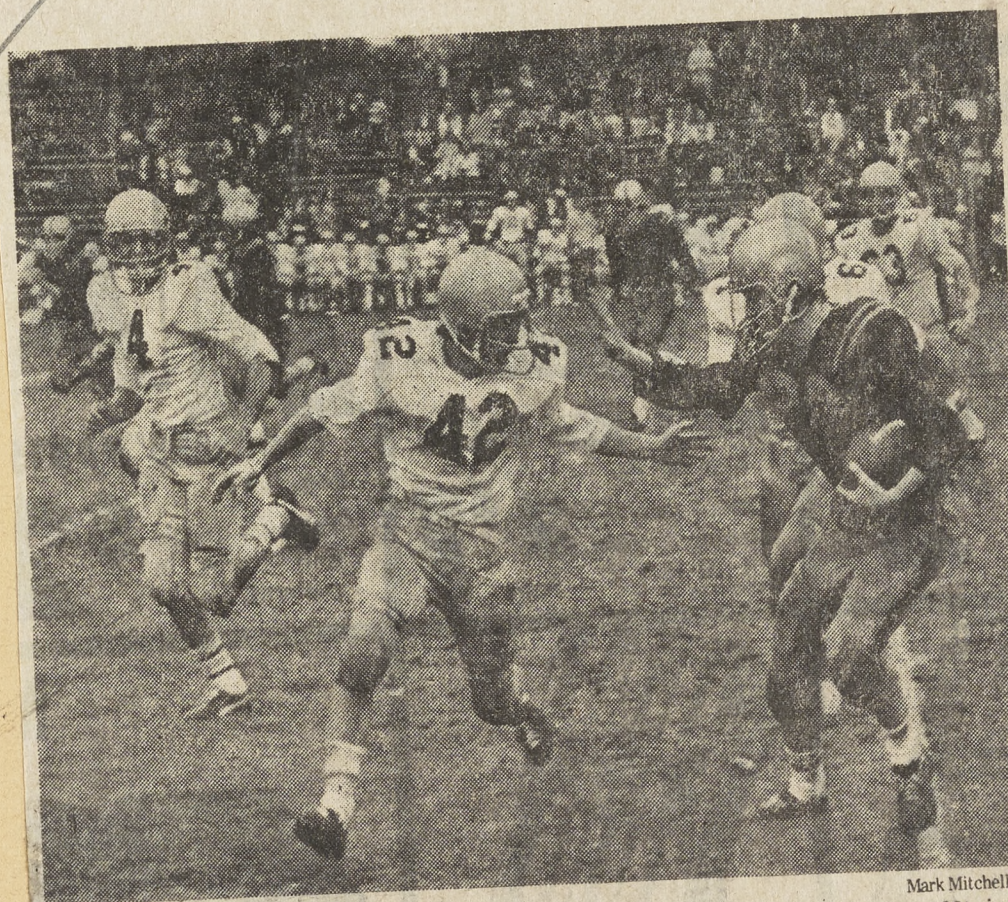
AUG 21 1973



SCORING ON THE FIRST of his two inside-the-park home runs last night in the annual Police vs. Fire Dept. softball game at Wahconah Park, Fireman Ken Spaniol is congratulated by teammates at the plate. The Firefighters won 11-4.

Mark Mitchell

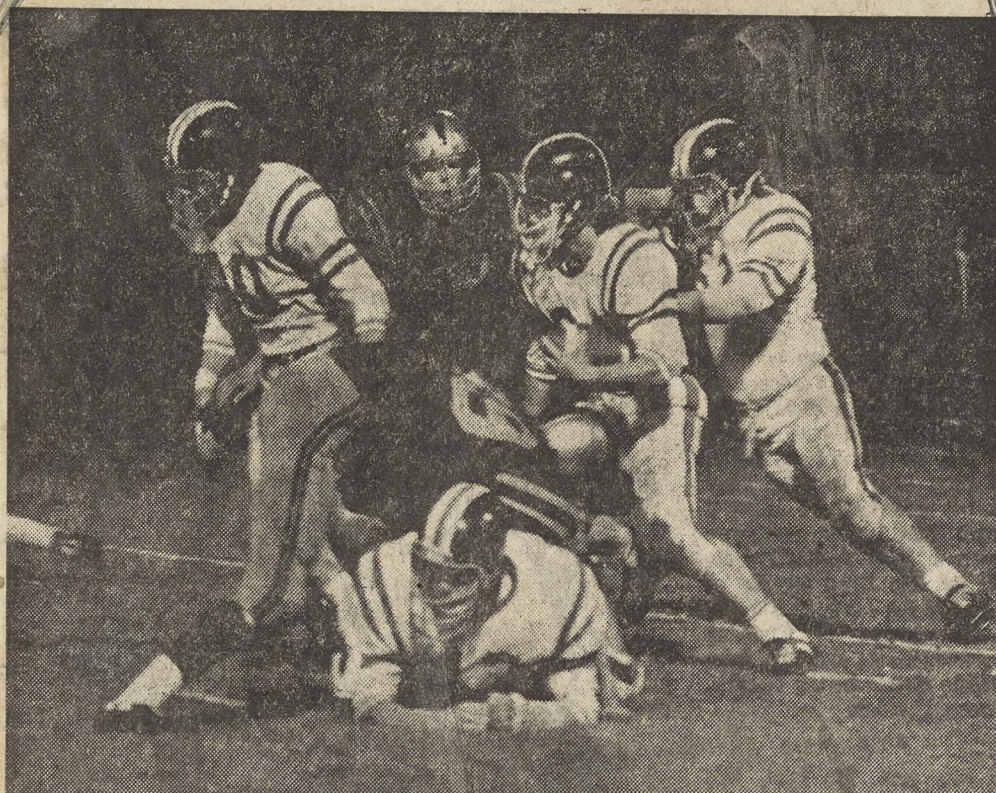
SEP 17 1973



OFF ON ANOTHER GAIN goes St. Joseph's High halfback Jack Quinn (23) in the Crusaders' 12-0 win over Northampton High here Saturday. In pursuit are Dave Richards (4) and Mike Gleason (42) of Northampton. Quinn scored both touchdowns.

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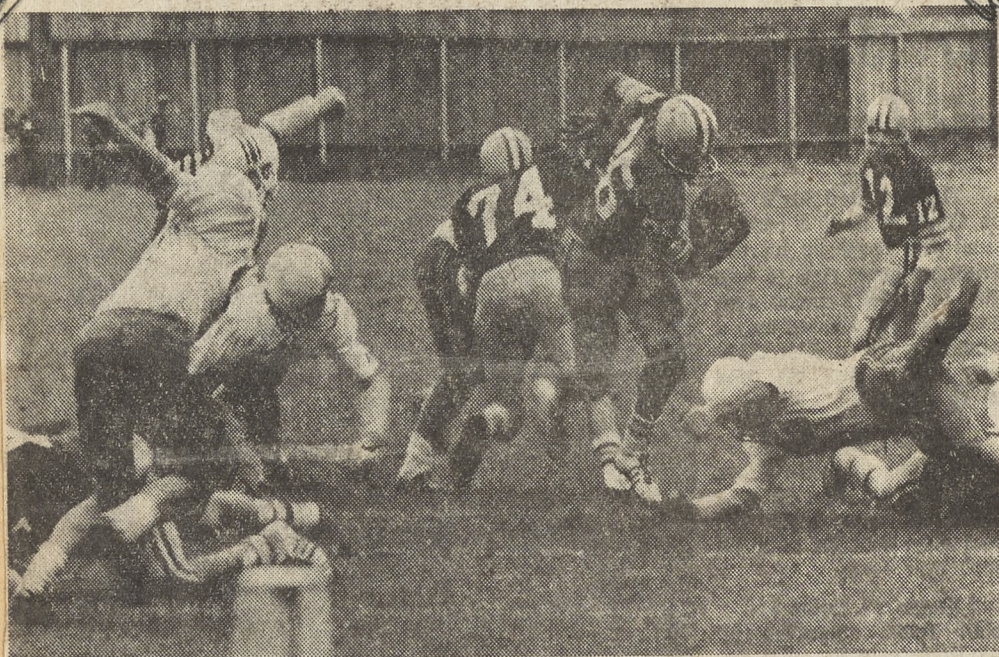
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Paul Rocheleau

DRURY STANDOUT back Keith Noel is stopped for no gain this time on a play late in the second period of the Blue Devils' 3-0 win over St. Joseph's last night. The stop was made by Bill McMahon (89), partially blocked by Guy Tassone on the ground. Others are, left to right, Bruce Johnson (10) of Drury, Bob Drury (32) of St. Joe's and Mike McKeon of Drury. Noel scored the game's only touchdown and led all runners with 167 yards rushing on 24 times with the ball.

SEP 24 1973



Mark Swirsky

ON HIS WAY after taking a handoff goes Taconic High's Larry King (35) in the first quarter of the Braves' loss to Westfield here Saturday. King had gained 50 yards before getting injured in the second period. Taconic quarterback Jeff Gifford (12) has just made the handoff and Bob McIntire (74) throws a block.

SEP 26 1973

School athletic dept. halts football videotaping

Worried about the effect of local television coverage on attendance at high school football games, Edwin Grady, coordinator of physical education and athletics for the Pittsfield school system, has withheld permission to telecast the remaining contests of the season, Robert J. Burke, Warner Cable's program director, has announced. As a result the schedule has been revised eliminating all Taconic, Pittsfield High and St. Joseph's High home football games.

Channel 2 kicked off the season in color on Sept. 15 with the St. Joe's-Northampton game. The procedure of local coverage is to videotape the games for showing at 8 Saturday evenings. There was no live coverage planned. Burke said he doesn't think the delayed telecast would affect attendance at the games as much as radio live coverage.

The School Department position is that TV has a stronger effect and cannot be compared to radio.

Other sports coverage will also be affected by the decision. There will be no basketball coverage on local TV. The only sport, because of the limited seating capacity at the Boys' Club, to be televised will be high school hockey, according to the understanding between Burke and Grady. This will be the third consecutive year of hockey coverage.

Two games on

Channel 2 will carry two high school football games, both at Wahconah Regional of Dalton. They are the Wahconah-St. Joe's of Pittsfield game on Saturday, Oct. 6, and the Wahconah-Taconic contest on Nov. 3. They will be taped at 1:30 in Dalton for showing that night at 8.

James Rivers of Wahconah Regional, baseball coach and former football assistant, indicated that coverage of the Dalton games has and will stimulate interest in this year's team. Rivers agrees with Burke that rather than keeping fans away from games — seeing them on Channel 2 could create more interest, and attract "fringe fans" to join the regular game goers. Burke pointed out the effect TV has had on the attendance at pro sports with football as a good example. A more recent sport brought into the spotlight is tennis.

Burke said today, "We at Warner Cable took on this project of local sports coverage because it is an area that our public wanted us to present. We have done so as a community service. It is an expensive project, only partially underwritten by a few community-minded sponsors, who helped defray a small portion of the cost. We hope that some time in the future the Pittsfield schools athletic department will reverse its position and attitude."

St. Joseph's High permitted the taping of its first game with Northampton but did not give permission for the rest of its home schedule because of the fear attendance would be hurt.

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The Berkshire Eagle, Friday, Sept. 28, 1973— 13

Whalen lifts TV ban on school football

The Pittsfield School Department today lifted its ban of delayed telecasts of local high school football games.

The action was taken today by Supt. Thomas J. Whalen and School Committeeman James R. Clary upon the informal advice of a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) attorney.

But Clary said the ban may be imposed again later pending a legal opinion and school board action.

Warner Cable Channel 2 this week had abandoned plans for delayed telecasts of Pittsfield High and Taconic home games upon the request of Edwin R. Grady, director of physical education and athletics, who said TV might hurt the live gate.

The TV ban also covered basketball games. But because of the small seating capacity at the Boys' Club rink, delayed telecasts of ice hockey games were approved.

A similar policy was adopted by St. Joseph's High after a Channel 2 telecast of its first home game with Northampton.

But Clary yesterday launched an inquiry into the legality of Grady's decision for the public schools. He said any decision of this sort should be made by the School Committee.

Supt. Whalen, at Clary's behest, telephoned an FCC attorney.

"The attorney told me that since games are played in a municipal park (Wahconah Park), we might have a legal problem in keeping the TV cameras out," Whalen said.

"He also expressed the opinion," said Whalen, "that delayed telecasts, especially for high school games, have no adverse impact on attendance."

Whalen said the FCC attorney suggested that the School Department get a ruling from the local city solicitor's office. The

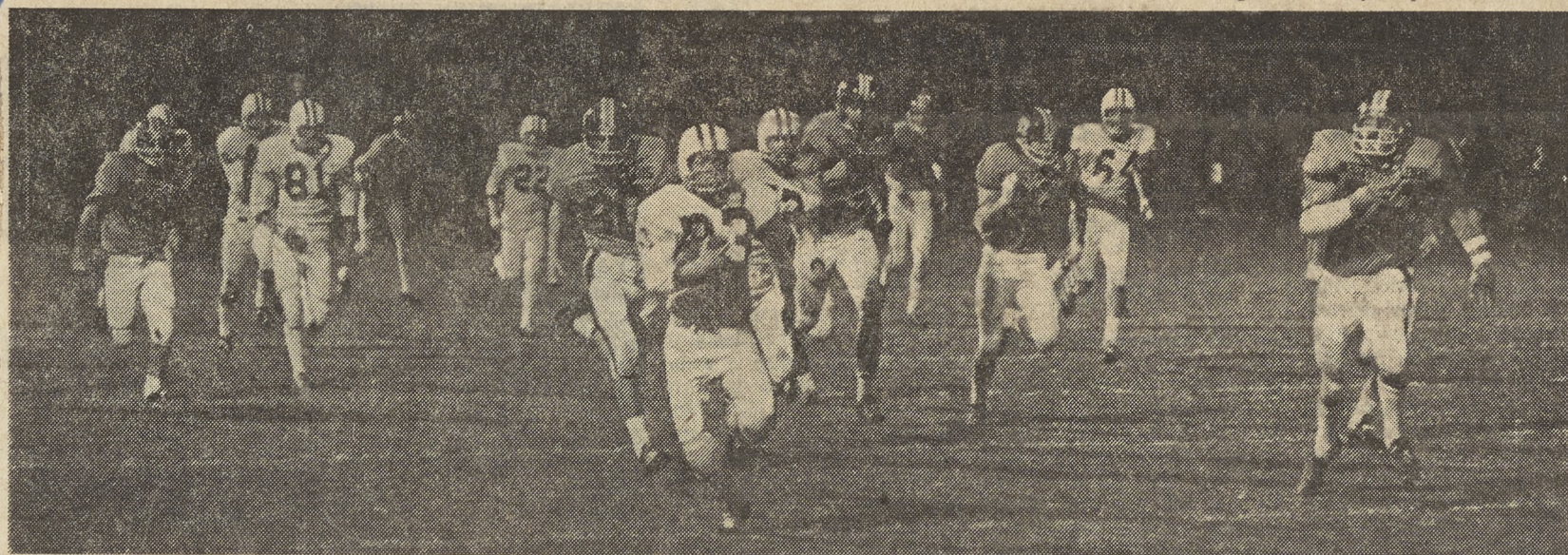
issue will be brought up at next Wednesday's school board meeting and, possibly, at a special meeting in the future, Clary said.

Meanwhile, the school board has some time to deliberate on the issue.

Channel 2 program director Robert Burke said that because of the original ban, he is unprepared to do any Pittsfield-based football telecasts until Oct. 27 when PHS meets Wahconah Regional High at Wahconah Park. He said he would also like to telecast the Nov. 3 Pittsfield High-St. Joseph's game.

The question of basketball telecasts remains undecided.

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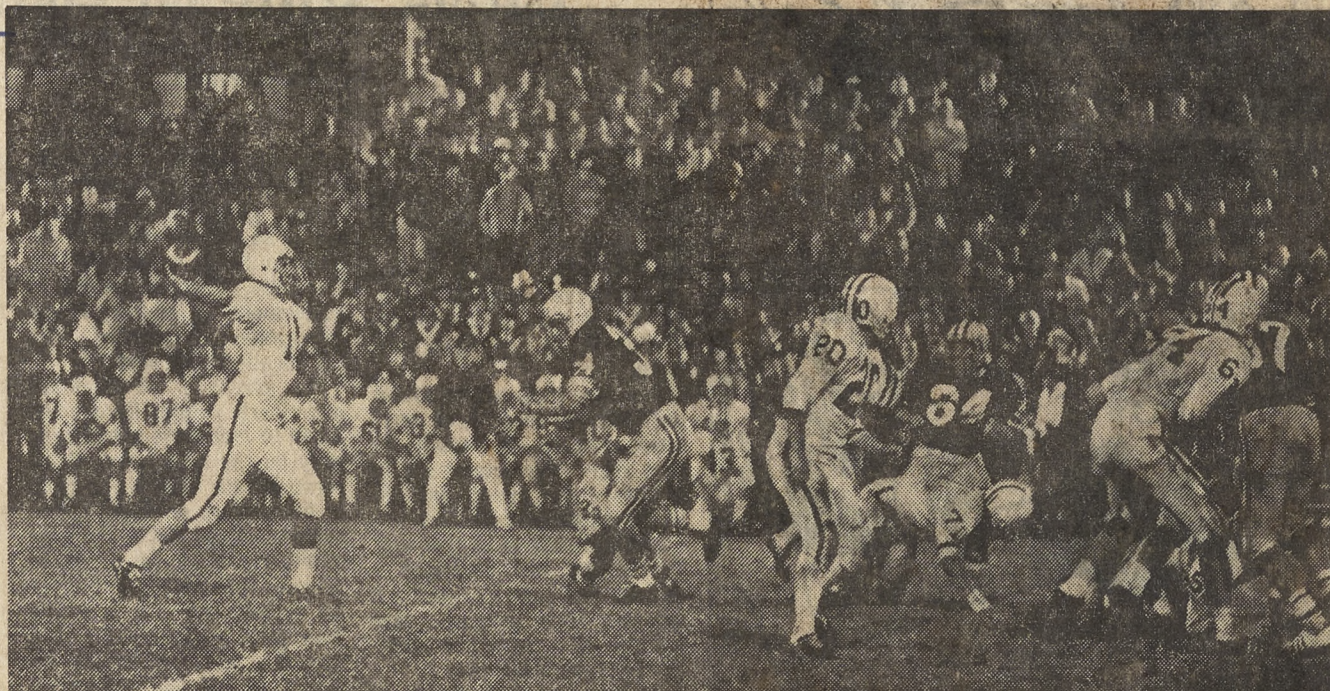


ALMOST AWAY for a touchdown on the opening kickoff of last night's 14-13 Pittsfield High win over White Plains at Wahconah Park is Peter Brown (23) Pittsfield's 140-pound junior halfback. Brown went 70 yards on the play to the White Plains 21-yard line where he was

caught from behind by Seth Klion, right. The Generals were unable to capitalize on the long run however and lost the ball on a fumble after reaching the White Plains 13-yard line. The durable Brown carried the ball 25 times in the contest and netted 76 yards for the evening.

Pair of 4th-quarter scores give Pittsfield High 22-14 football victory over Taconic before 5,000

By Bill Mahan



GOING TO THE AIR Pittsfield High quarterback Rick Lisi (11) fires a pass early in the second period of his team's 22-14 win over Taconic at Wahconah Park last night. The pass, intended for end Russ Quetti, was tipped by a defender and Quetti could not hold on to it.

Identifiable players pictured are, left to right, John Murphy (34) of Taconic, Mike Isabel (20) and Don Perkins (71) of Pittsfield, Dan Troy (64) of Taconic and Derrick Baratsky (64) of PHS. The victory gave the Generals sole possession of first place in the Class A loop.

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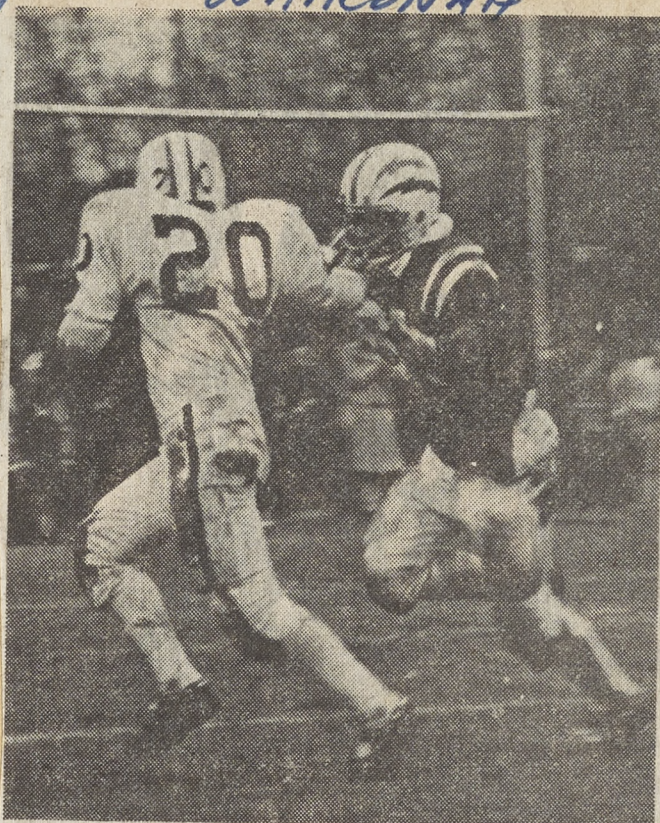
Paul Rocheleau

DOING HIS THING Taconic High halfback Larry King (35) is off for one of his many gains in his team's 44-0 win over St. Joseph's High last night at Wahconah Park. He has just taken a handoff from quarterback Jeff

Gifford (12) and starts out behind blockers Dan Troy (64) and Mark Haddad (36). King scored three touchdowns and kicked two points after. He made 288 yards from scrimmage while carrying the ball 16 times.

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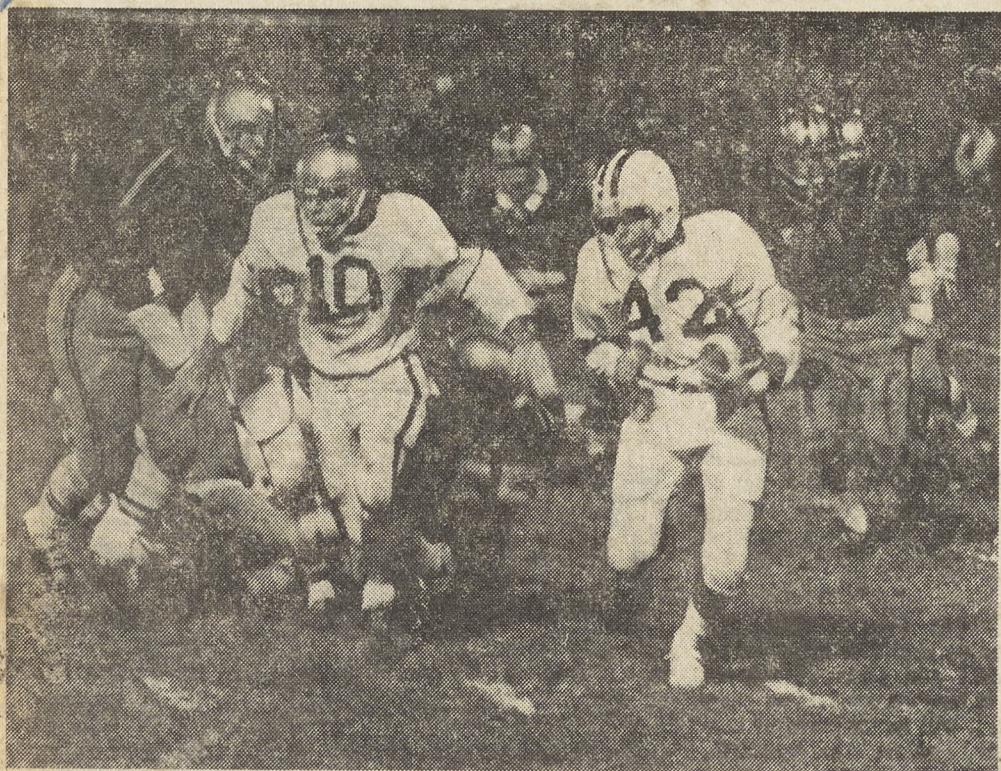
WAHCONAH



Mark Mitchell

TOUCHDOWN BOUND IS Pittsfield High running back Mike Isabel in the second quarter of his team's 22-0 victory over Hoosac Valley High here Saturday. Isabel, who scored three touchdowns, went 35 yards on this one to make the score 8-0. Pursuing him is Bruce Burke of Hoosac who caught up at the goal line but too late.

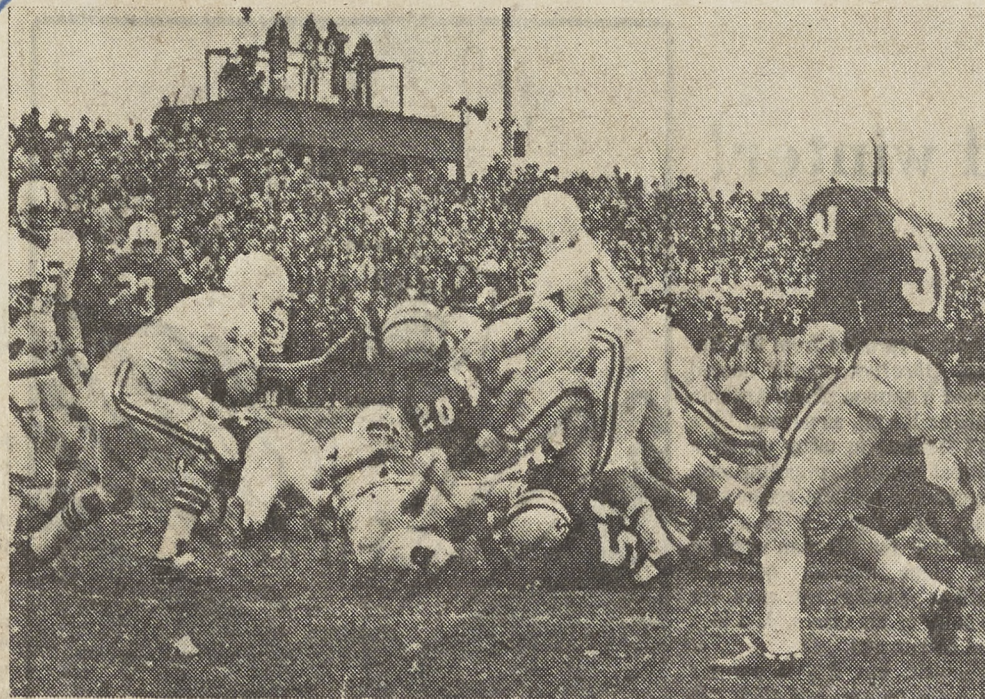
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Paul Rocheleau

TOP SCORER for Cranwell, Rick McGrath (42), with interference by Sal Alessi (10) picks up some yardage against St. Joseph's in the first half of last night's 35-12 Cranwell win here. McGrath scored three touchdowns. Alessi had one and booted five extra points. The win was the fourth for the Cranes in five games.

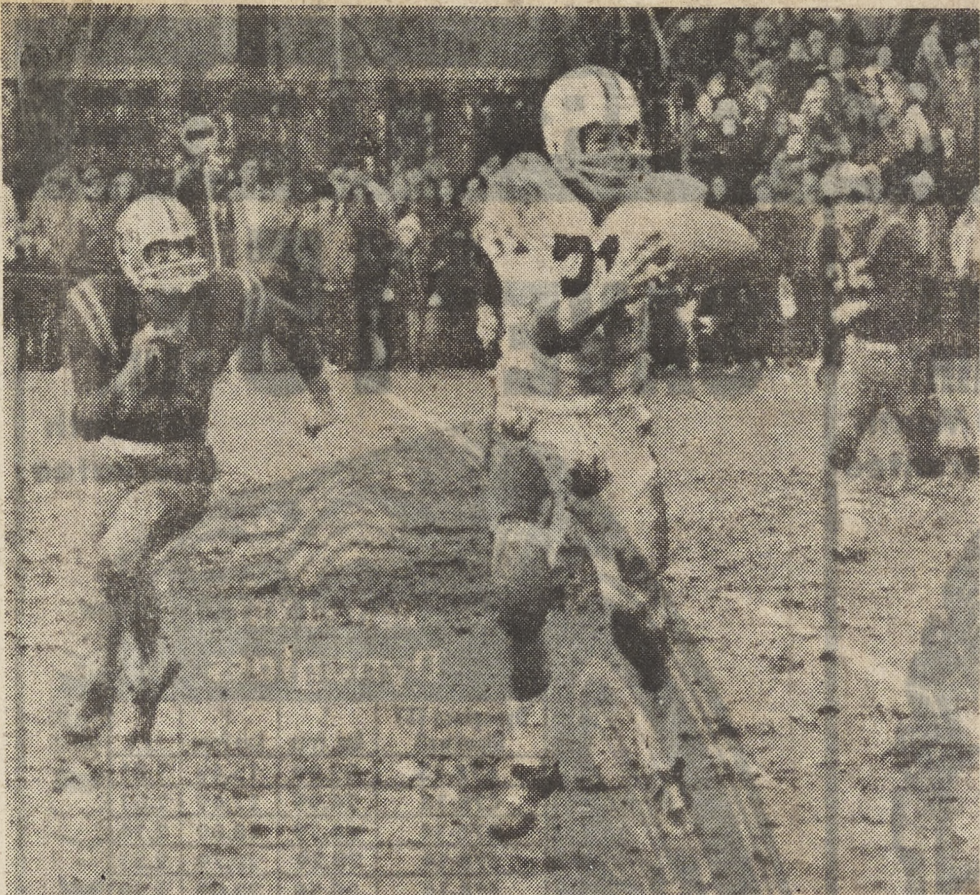
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Mark Mitchell

BATTLING HIS WAY over the goal line for Pittsfield High's winning touchdown in its 13-6 victory over Wahconah Regional here Saturday is Mike Isabel (20) shown going over a big block by Dick Fields (51) on the ground. Wahconah player Tom Zink (40) is on the left and Pittsfield's Russ Quetti (31) on the right.

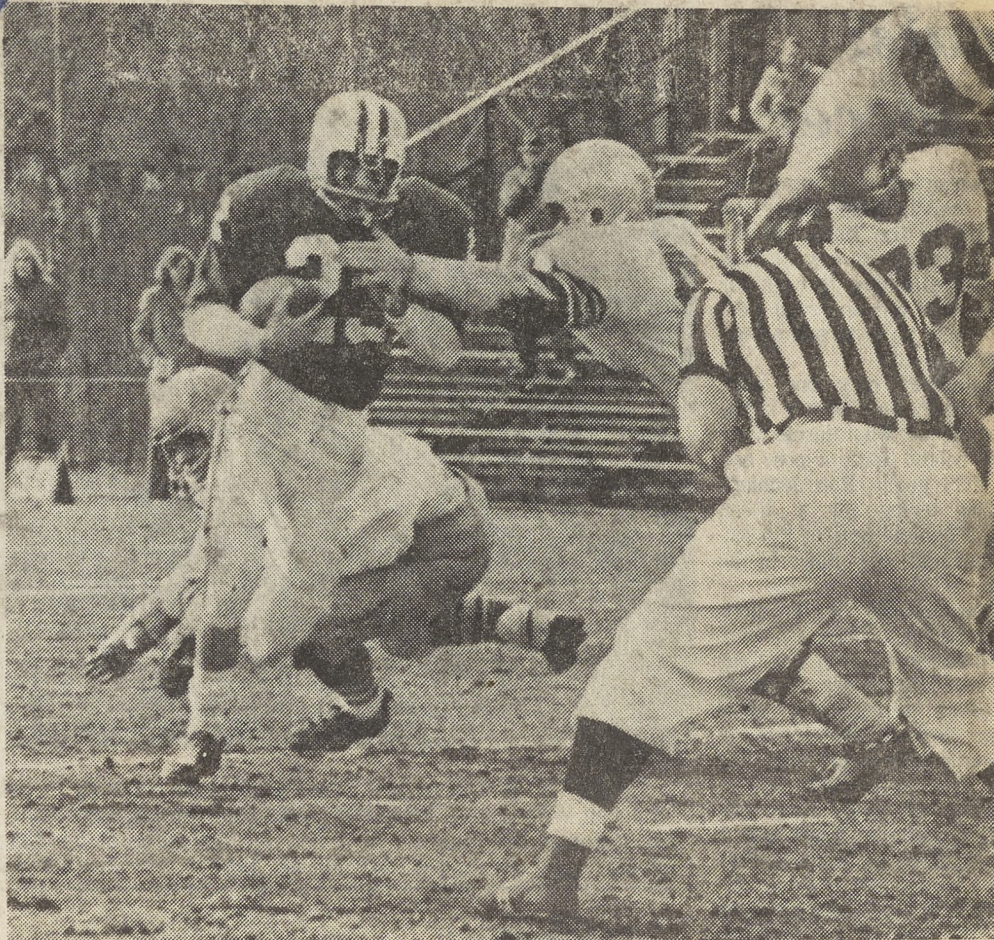
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Mark Mitchell

GATHERING IN the football preparatory to taking off for the end zone and Pittsfield High's second touchdown in its 46-6 win over St. Joseph's High is Generals' end Russ Quetti (31). In pursuit are Drew Guinan (20) and Jim McNeice (25) of the Crusaders. The second-period play covered 42 yards and made the score 14-6.

NOV 12 1973



Mark Mitchell

PITTSFIELD TOUCHDOWN SCORER Peter Brown (23) goes for a five-yard gain in the third quarter of the Generals' 7-6 win over Christian Brothers Academy here Saturday. Trying to get an arm on Brown is Pat Horan (41) of CBA. The official is umpire Tom Dwyer. Brown tallied in the fourth period on a three-yard run.

Dobelle wants relocation of Wahconah Park game fields

By Theodore Giddings

Mayor-elect Evan S. Dobelle told the Berkshire '76 Celebration Committee yesterday that he would like to see the Housatonic River cleaned up at Wahconah Park, eliminating the major playing fields there and relocating them elsewhere in the city, possibly at Brattlebrook Park.

Dobelle said he favored "letting the river be the river," noting that there has always been a flooding problem at Wahconah.

Once the river was cleaned up, he said, it could be used for fishing and, hopefully, swimming. He would retain the Little League baseball area and devel-

op the rest for passive recreation.

Dobelle envisioned the new Wahconah Park as being a catalyst for improving the entire neighborhood. "I grew up not far from the park on Charles Street," he said, "and I witnessed the deterioration of the area around the park." He said there were great possibilities for improvement there.

Dobelle's second suggestion to the committee was the retention of the facade of the Berkshire Athenaeum for the display of historical materials.

James A. Bowes, committee member and chairman of the County Commissioners, said that the commission is still in-

terested in acquiring the Athenaeum but that acquisition doesn't mean tearing it down.

Cites space need

"We're desperately in need for space," Bowes added, "especially for our Probate Court records."

Dobelle promised to name a bicentennial committee and to work with the Berkshire '76 group in seeking state funds and planning the local and countywide celebration.

"I don't care for arbitrary boundaries," he said. "We have to work together."

Mrs. Lawrence K. Miller, chairman, presided at the meeting at Hancock Shaker Village.

DEC 14 1973

JAN 15 1973

Wild Acres said damaged by illegal snowmobiling

City Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy says snowmobile operators illegally cutting through the city's Wild Acres reservation are compounding the "noise and destruction" caused there by the new airport runway.

"The only thing wild at Wild Acres," she said in a press release today, "are the humans who run those noisy, smelly machines."

If snowmobile enthusiasts don't start policing themselves, the councilwoman added, they are going to find the sport subject to more stringent regulations and enforcements.

Mrs. Murphy hinted that she intends to take some legislative action at the city level.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert today said city parkland, including Wild Acres, is off-limits to snowmobiles: "No provisions have been made by the Park

Commission for allowing them in parkland."

State regulations also prohibit use of snowmobiles on public land unless the agency in charge has opened it to use and erected signs saying so. This regulation took effect Jan. 1.

The at-large councilwoman said Wild Acres, located off Tamarack Road, has been "cut in half" by a snowmobile trail. She said she counted eight saplings broken by snowmobiles. Even if snowmobiles were allowed in Wild Acres, she said the snow cover was not the state required minimum of four inches on public land because of bare spots.

More than \$50,000 was spent by the city and federal governments to improve the ponds there this summer, she said. "It was a waste of money if snowmobiles are going to add to the noise and destruction already imposed on this sanctuary by the airport expansion."

Wild Acres preservation campaign started by Councilwoman Murphy

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy today launched a campaign to save Wild Acres from further encroachment by the Pittsfield Municipal Airport, the state Department of Public Works and area snowmobilers.

Her first effort will be with the City Council, where she is filing a petition to ask the Council to "take a firm stand on the Wild Acres issue."

She said she will seek approval to oppose the encroachment of a proposed Pittsfield bypass through Wild Acres, stop any further expansion of the south and east runways at the airport, post the area to prohibit snowmobiling, and acquire additional wetlands from the airport for a wildlife preserve.

Petition started

She is also starting a petition to muster support for her stand from the community.

She said she has adopted the slogan "Don't Give an Inch" and has received calls from a number of students who have volunteered to help.

Mrs. Murphy said reports that the state DPW is planning on taking some land from Wild Acres for the proposed north-south bypass prompted her to ask for Council action at this time. She said she also learned that future expansion plans at

the Pittsfield Airport would also take more land from the game preserve.

She said conversations with a number of people involved in planning both projects has been confusing.

"I think that it is time the City Council became directly involved in the planning of these projects," she said. "At least we should demand that those in charge of the planning come before the Council and give us the correct information."

Road plans uncertain

She said she was particularly appalled at destruction to Wild Acres by snowmobilers and demanded that they be banned from the area.

She said she was also concerned about the future of a beaver dam at the southern end of the north-south runway and thought it ought to become part of Wild Acres and an extension of the game preserve land.

Wild Acres is a 50-acre preserve off South Mountain Road. It is owned by the city and controlled by the Pittsfield Conservation Commission.

District Highway Engineer Dean Amidon said this morning that it is still not certain whether portions of Wild Acres will be needed for the bypass.

"The problem is," explained Amidon, "no one has come forth with a detailed map outlining the property lines of Wild Acres at this point. We just don't know where the property ends."

No airport plans

He said it appears to him that the proposed cloverleaf for the Route 20 connector "probably will go on airport land and not on Wild Acres, but we can't be certain until the corridor study is completed and a detailed plot plan of airport and Wild Acres property is available."

Samuel G. Colt, a member of the Pittsfield Municipal Airport Commission and chairman of its planning committee, said today he knows of no plans to extend runways through Wild Acres property.

"At the present time," he said, "our plans call for leaving Wild Acres in its present state because we believe it can be more of an asset to the airport as a parkland."

About banning snowmobiles from Wild Acres, Mrs. Murphy said she understands state regulations forbid the use of snowmobiles on public land, and she will ask that the preserve be posted and that the regulations be enforced.

FEB 7 1973

The Berkshire Eagle, Tuesday, February 13, 1973—15

City conservation unit to defend Wild Acres

The city Conservation Commission intends to resist encroachment of a proposed connecting highway on city-owned Wild Acres or on wetlands bordering it to the south.

This was the consensus of commissioners at a meeting last night at Springside House, according to secretary Morgan G. Bulkeley.

He explained, however, that the commission is not setting forth specific complaints because the highway plans are still indefinite and subject to change.

He said the commission chairman, Franklin H. Controy, plans to attend a meeting of state Department of Public Works officials and city Planning Board members being scheduled to discuss plans for the Route 7 bypass and connecting roads.

Encroachment upon Wild Acres has been cited as a danger by Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy who last week said she will move to protect the 50-acre recreation and wildlife area from encroachment by highways, the adjacent municipal airport and snowmobilers.

Effect on Wild Acres

According to Bulkeley, the most recent plan for the connecting highway, which would link the Route 7 bypass to Route 20 to the west, shows it passing some 1,300 feet to the south of Wild Acres property.

If left in that location, the connector would, however, go through wetlands created by a newly constructed dam in the sanctuary itself. The wetlands are on airport property, Bulkeley said, adding that the Conservation Commission which oversees Wild Acres operations, has an agreement with the Airport Commission to use the property.

"We want to keep any new highway out of the pond and wetlands as much as possible," Bulkeley said. He added that the Conservation Commission has a double interest in any

highway proposal, first because of the closeness to Wild Acres and second because the commission is responsible for dredge-and-fill permits under the new state Wetlands Protection Act.

The DPW is no longer exempt from wetlands restrictions as it was under the previous Hatch Act.

As it stands, the right of way for the Route 20 connecting road is 300 feet in width. Conservation commissioners are not the only persons concerned over the layout. The South Mountain Association and Paul R. Bousquet, president of Bousquet's ski area, have voiced concern over direction of the connector and encroachment on their properties.

District 1 Highway Engineer Dean P. Amidon has said that a corridor study for the connector is incomplete and the impact on Wild Acres won't be known until it is. In addition, he said, a detailed plan of Wild Acres and airport properties must be obtained to determine if there will be any encroachment and to what extent.

Date, hour location of the meeting of the Planning Board and DPW have not been set, according to City Planning Director E. Boris Stamm.

2-county group serves as Wild Acres watchdog

MAR 5 1973

A conservation group with Wild Acres is dependent.

More traffic than ever will be going through our city. While taking much of the traffic off busy city streets, the bypass will direct that flow of traffic to rural roads even less equipped to handle it."

She said groups like the Urban Coalition and Association of Business and Commerce, when endorsing the bypass, should inform the public of its "very serious ramifications."

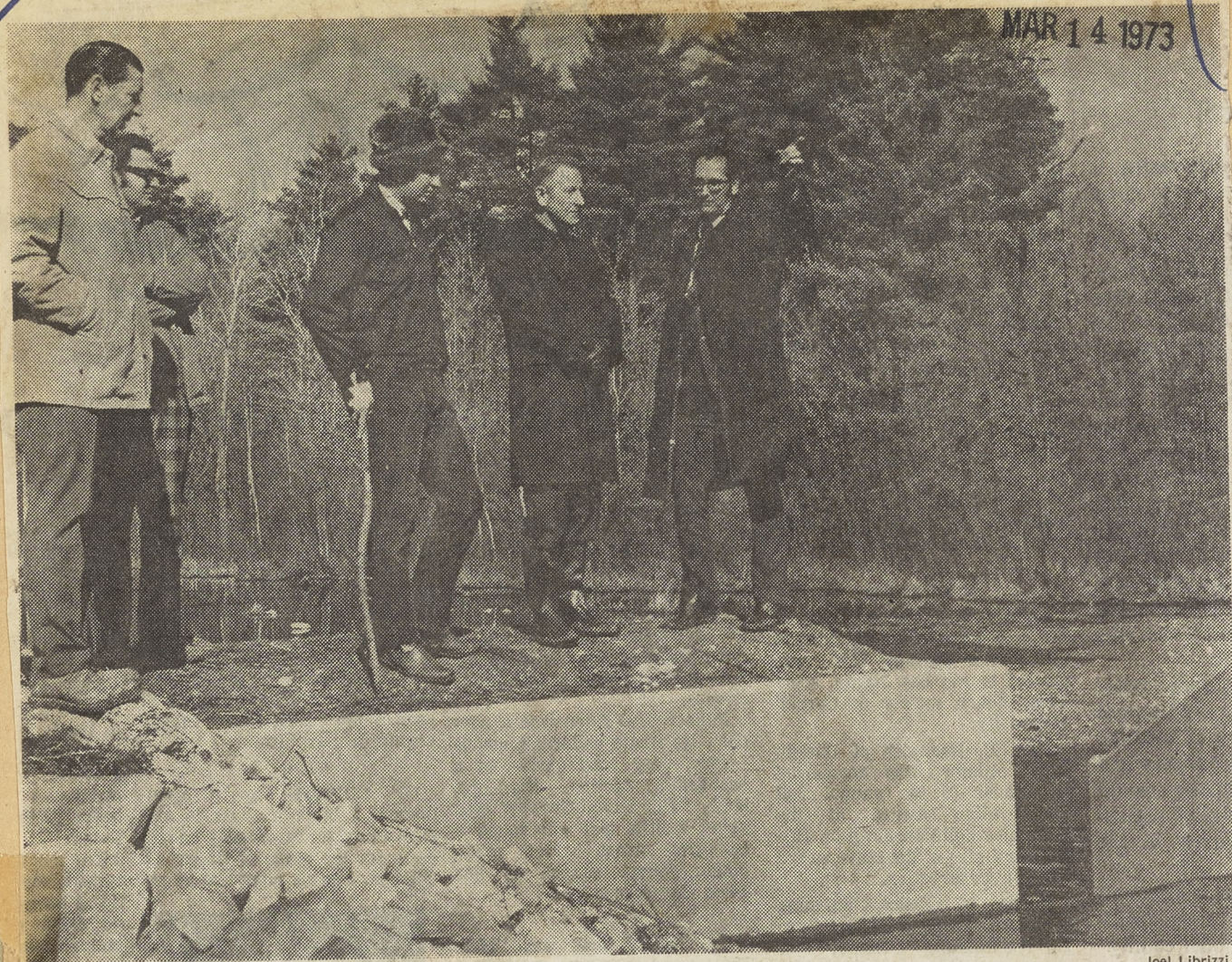
On the Wild Acres issue, there has been some confusion over what area the Route 20 connector to the Route 7 bypass would cross.

Earlier this winter a state consultant said it probably would go through Wild Acres itself. Later the state said it would be going, instead, through the airport-owned wetlands adjoining Wild Acres. The state said the problem stemmed from confusion over the Wild Acres boundary line.

The RC&D made it clear it was concerned with both the Wild Acres sanctuary and the airport's wetlands. "Wild Acres and municipal airport wildlife marshlands sustain many species of wildlife and provide an abundance of foods," Randall said.

Meanwhile, Mrs. Murphy in a press release today suggested that the Route 7 bypass will "destroy the character of the city," hurt it economically by taking "hundreds of acres" off the taxrolls when the land becomes highway right-of-way and create more problems than it solves.

"Chopped up backyards, loops and interchanges will add nothing to the community," she said. "We'll lose parkland, schoolyards, wild areas and wetlands. One stretch alone will deface South Mountain, destroy Bousquet's ski area and bisect the wildlife swamp upon which



WILD ACRES POND is viewed by four members of the Association of Business and Commerce in a tour of the proposed Route 7 bypass route, led by highway engineer Edwin S. Taginski, right. With Taginski on the

pond dam are, from right, Daniel J. Courtney, president of the ABC, and three members of the ABC transportation committee, Bernard F. Carmell, Ronald Trabulski and Edward F. Hoffman.

Joel Librizzi

Children's Fishing Derby this weekend

The annual Children's Fishing Derby sponsored by the Conservation Commission and Department of Parks and Recreation will be this weekend at Wild Acres Pond.

Open to children 6-14, the derby will be Saturday and Sunday from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Participating children are required to register beforehand, and the rules require that children must catch and keep their own fish. Prizes are to be awarded to the first three boys and girls catching tagged fish on each of the two days.

Wild Acres Pond is at 479 South Mountain Road. Cooperating with the Conservation Commission and Park Department in staging the event are the state Division of Fisheries and Game, the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club and the city Pond Fish Committee.

MAY 2 1973

Fishing derby scheduled Monday

The annual Park Department Senior Citizens Fishing Derby will be Monday from 8 a.m. to noon at the Wild Acres Pond, South Mountain Road.

The event is open to all those 60 or older. All participants must have a fishing license to participate.

Prizes will be awarded to the first three men and women who catch tagged fish.

MAY 5 1973

Flossic is winner of fishing derby

Stephen Flossic of 24 McAllister St. was the only prize-winner in Monday's senior citizens' fishing derby at Wild Acres.

Flossic was the only one of the 81 persons participating—72 men and nine women—to catch a tagged trout. A total of 108 fish were caught.

The derby was sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Conservation Commission and the Pond Fish Committee.

MAY 11 1973

Wild Acres open for senior fishing

Local senior citizens, age 60 and over, will be permitted to fish this week at Wild Acres, the Department of Parks and Recreation said today.

Park Supt. Vincent J. Hebert said Pittsfield's senior citizens may fish at Wild Acres today through Friday from 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. Fishing at the sanctuary is normally reserved for youngsters.

MAY 8 1973
With 800 young boys and girls taking part in the weekend's spring fishing derby, the attraction of Wild Acres and the utilization of its enlarged pond were dramatically illustrated. Senior Citizens also enjoy the preserve and the fishing. Altogether, there is a substantial bloc with an interest in keeping Wild Acres safe from further encroachment by airport expansion or highways.

JUL 25 1973 Funds approved for facilities at Wild Acres

The City Council last night appropriated \$35,000 for additional recreational development at the Wild Acres reservation.

The money, requested by Mayor Butler in behalf of the Conservation Commission, will be matched by a grant from the federal government.

Also appropriated was \$10,000 sought by Public Buildings Supt. Harold T. Grandshaw to install lead lag systems in oil burners at 11 Pittsfield schools.

Grandshaw, who has already placed them in four schools, says they are like a "brain" that allows a reduction in the nighttime fuel consumption at the schools by about one-third. This is important since the cost of oil to the city has risen almost 50 per cent this year.

With this system only one burner has to be run at night. If it conks out, the lead lag system automatically turns the other one on. Currently two burners are used in tandem at night as a precaution. If only one were used and it malfunctioned in winter, the plumbing could be damaged by freezing water.



Warren Fowler

SHELTER FROM COLD is provided by Mrs. Alfred Materas Jr. of 22 Quirico Drive as her eldest son seeks to land a fish at the children's fishing derby.

Spring fishing derby draws 800 youngsters to Wild Acres

Although the weather was cold and, at times, rainy, nearly 800 youngsters turned out at Wild Acres pond off South Mountain Road over the weekend for the annual spring fishing derby.

The 661 boys and 136 girls, ages 6 to 14, caught 826 of the 2,200 rainbow trout stocked by the City Pond Fish Committee. A fair number creeded their limit of five, and 10 went home with prizes (rods, reels and tackle boxes) for landing tagged fish.

Prize winners were Mark Sherman, 14, 6 Whitman St.; Richard Arpante, 14, 247 Elm St.; Darryn Klemansky, 10, 65 Alba Ave.; Diane O'Hearn, 13, 52 Garden St.; Susan Foster, 9, Richmond; Jona Gennari, 9, 724 Peck's Road; Paul Rodriguez, 9, 115 Spadina Pkwy.; Mark Germanowski, 11, 7 Lucille St.; Robert DiOrio, 12, 51 Joan Drive; Donna Sinopoli, 9, 709 Peck's Road.

This morning senior citizens, 60 and older, were allowed to try their luck. But after school today and until 8:30 p.m., only children may fish. After today, the fishing hours are 7 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Leon S. Goodermote, City Pond Fish Committee chairman, is in charge of the pond for the Conservation Commission and is staying overnight at the Wild Acres cabin.

The derbies were sponsored by the committee, the commission and the Department of Parks and Recreation with the

Volunteers help

Derby officials and assistants included Commission Chairman Franklin H. Controy, Supt. Vincent J. Hebert, Fred Garner and Thomas Londergan of the Department of Parks and Recreation, Chairman Goodermote, Henry Daoust and Caesar "Jerry" Graziani of the City

Pond Fish Committee, District Manager Eugene D. Moran and volunteer Edward Bailey of the DFG, and the following from the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club: John J. Zuber, John F. Decker, Robert L'Hote, Walter Ross, David Cannon, William J. Harvey and William Danylin.

Hebert said that 11 volunteers from the environmental and ecology classes of Berkshire Community College also helped. Fishing facilities, he said, were the best ever because of the enlarged pond, made possible by federal and city funds.

Winter sports board will meet tonight

The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation will meet tonight at 7:30 at Springside House.

JAN 3 1973

Nordic ski meet to be rescheduled

The Winter Sports Committee's open Nordic ski meet scheduled for Sunday has been postponed because of insufficient snow cover on the Pittsfield State Forest ski jump.

John J. Unwin, chairman, said the event would be rescheduled.

JAN 4 1973

Children win badges in skating program

Mr. and Mrs. Peter B. Franz, cochairmen of the beginner skaters games sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee last week during the children's learn-to-skate program at the Boys' Club, said today that of the 119 skaters who were at the series, 104 earned beginner badges, 60 earned novice second-class badges and 32 earned novice first class badges.

Children were presented arm patches for each test passed.

The tests were administered by members of the local figure skating clubs. Assisting Mr. and Mrs. Franz with the testing were Mrs. David Caird, Mrs. Buel Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Homa.

JAN 4 1973

JAN 6 1973 Deadline near for application to skating meet

The deadline for filing applications for the city skating meet is Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Department of Parks and Recreation offices at 874 North St. The meet is to be held Tuesday evening at 7:30 at the Boys' Club Rink.

Chairman Mario J. Tassinari commented that the applications have been slow in coming in.

This event is not geared for the speed skater, but for the average child who has never skated in competition before. Boys and girls are divided into the following categories: peewee, under eight years old; pony, ages eight and nine; midget, 10 and 11; juvenile, 12 and 13; junior, 14 and 15; intermediate 16 and 17.

JAN 6 1973



Paul Rocheleau

PEERING over blowup of her winning Winter Carnival button design, Michelle Crane, a Crosby Junior

High 8th grader, is flanked by 1972 queen, Eileen Torchio, left, and lady-in-waiting, Mary Ellen Davis.

Carnival queen candidates make debut

By BARBARA VAN NICE

Names of the nine girls competing for the 1973 Winter Carnival queen crown were disclosed last night amid assurances from city officials and former contestants to the girls that "there are more people behind you than against you."

The number of contestants is down from last year's 16. One Winter Sports committee official said the decrease is at least partially due to controversy sparked this year by Councilwoman Mary Murphy's claim that the event exploits the girls.

Begin button sale

The nine, who last night officially began the button sales which support the winter sports program, are:

Judith M. Taylor, 17, of 639 Hancock Road; Valerie J. Falls, 17, of 509 Pittsfield Road; Darlene E. Love, 20, of 231 Highland Ave.; Deborah J. Tripp, 18, of 25 Imperial Ave.; Mary A. Laurin, 18, of 43 Noblehurst Ave.; Joanne I. Stryjewski, 17, of 101 Seymour St.; Karen M. Freeman, 17, of 41 Robbins Ave.; Deborah L. Seddon, 17, of Lanesboro; and Carol A. Winslow, 17, of 121 Plunkett St.

The contestants, in long gowns and chrysanthemum corsages, had a kick-off dinner at Itam Lodge last night with their mothers, queen contest committee workers, Mayor Donald G. Butler, City Council President

John F. Fraser, Winter Sports Committee Chairman Raymond A. Hospot, Supt. of Parks and Recreation Vincent J. Hebert, and Dr. Robert Kirvin, a parks commissioner.

1,000-button minimum

By Jan. 31, each girl or her supporters must sell at least 1,000 buttons to be eligible for the crown. Three judges from out of town will choose the queen at the coronation ball Feb. 9 in the Colonial Hilton ballroom.

Poise, personality and knowledge of Winter Carnival's activities and purpose — and not button sales — are to be the determining factors, according to Mrs. Francis G. Sanginetti, queen's contest chairman.

The girls' stated reasons for entering the contest vary little. Each knows beforehand that she must sell the minimum 1,000 buttons.

"It's a good opportunity for any girl . . . to learn to meet people, to be known," Miss Laurin said.

"I just think it will be a good experience and I think it's for a good cause," said Miss Falls.

"Well, you live in Pittsfield so long, you just want to represent it," Miss Taylor said. The queen rides in parades and awards trophies at sports events.

Hospot was first in line to buy a 25-cent button from each girl, but Butler had offered his services earlier to escort — if given enough notice — any girl going

into a bar or restaurant where, according to contest rules, she must be with a male 21 or older.

Last year the 16 contestants sold 25,000 buttons. Butler noted money raised through the sales takes a "tremendous load off the city treasury."

In past years, some girls have gone out selling buttons practically every night until deadline.

Each of the 1973 contestants is planning some strategy to persuade people throughout the city and outlying areas to buy.

To "just be yourself and be friendly toward people . . . How can they turn them down. They're only a quarter," was how Miss Freeman described her method.

To "hit places like the shopping centers when the most peo-

ple are there" is Miss Stryjewski's plan. In the past, some girls set up small armies of supporters and family members who also help ring up the total sales.

Fraser urged the girls, "Don't let the fuss we have had in the past year dampen your enthusiasm in any way."

JAN 8 1973 Officials are listed for meet

Mario J. Tassinari, chairman of the city skating meet, has announced the officials for tomorrow night's races at 7:30 at the Boys' Club rink.

They are: clerks of course, Carl Peaslee, Thomas Ryan, Joseph Miraglia; starter Mrs. Ryan; referee, James Brown; announcer, John Marchesi; scorer, Mrs. Peaslee; first aid, Mrs. Miraglia; results, Miss Andrea Snell; judges, Mrs. Robert Deloye, Vincent Hebert, Raymond Hospot, Albert Solera; timers, Deloye, Russell Flocken; registration, Mrs. Peaslee.

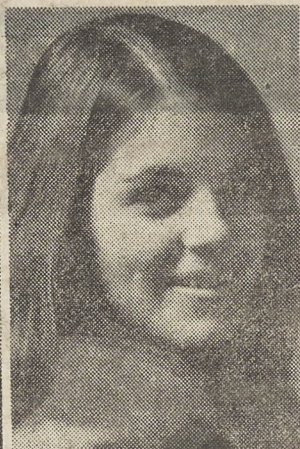
Trophies will be presented to the division winners by Miss Eileen Torchio, 1972 winter carnival queen.

Deadline for entering the meet has been extended until tomorrow at 5. All entry blanks must be at the Park Department office by this time.

This is the first sports event of the 28th annual winter carnival sponsored by the winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.



Judy Taylor



Valerie Falls



Darlene Love



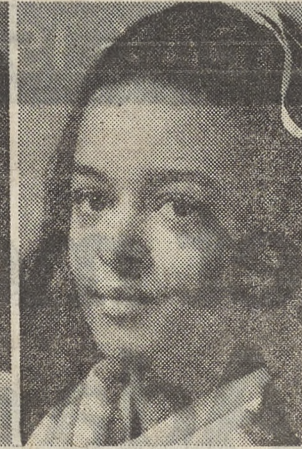
Deborah Tripp



Mary Laurin



Joanne Stryjewski



Karen Freeman



Deborah Sedden

Photos by Shartrand
Carol Winslow

Nine vie for crown in Winter Carnival

Nine girls are vying for the crown of Winter Carnival Queen.

Between Friday night, when the contestants were formally announced, and Jan. 31, each girl must sell 1,000 Winter Carnival buttons to be eligible for the final judging at the Feb. 9 coronation ball in the Colonial Hilton ballroom.

Money raised will go for support of the 19 events in the annual carnival. Mrs. Francis G. Sanginetti is chairman of the contest which is run in conjunction with the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The nine contestants are:

Miss Judith M. Taylor, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Pemble of 639 Hancock Road. A senior at Taconic High School, Miss Taylor is a member of the yearbook club. She is sponsored by Adams Super Markets.

Miss Valerie J. Falls, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Falls of Lenox. Miss Falls is a member of the Lenox Memorial High School drama and French clubs. She is sponsored by Fashion Two-Twenty.

Miss Darlene E. Love, 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H.F. Desmond of Anaheim, Calif. A graduate of the Pittsfield High School business course, she is a senior clerk, typist and telephone operator at City Hall. She is sponsored by R. J. Pomeroy & Sons, Contractors. She lives at 231 Highland Ave.

Miss Deborah J. Tripp, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Tripp of 25 Imperial Ave. Enrolled in the executive secretarial program at Berkshire Community College, Miss Tripp is a sales clerk at the Big N. She is sponsored by Big N Department Store.

Miss Mary A. Laurin, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emile J. Laurin of 43 Noblehurst Ave. A 1971 Pittsfield High School graduate, Miss Laurin is a substitute parent aide in the Follow Through Program.

Miss Joanne I. Stryjewski, 17, daughter of Mrs. Irene Stryjewski of 101 Seymour St. A senior at Taconic High School, Miss Stryjewski is a member of Junior Achievement and the Pittsfield Youth Orchestra. She is sponsored by Taconic High.

Miss Karen M. Freeman, 17, daughter of Mrs. Cecile Freeman of 41 Robbins Ave. Miss Freeman is a senior at Taconic High School, where she is secretary of the library club and a student government representative. She is also in Junior Achievement. Taconic High School is sponsoring her.

Miss Deborah L. Sedden, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence C. Sedden of Lanesboro. A senior at Mt. Greylock Regional High School, Miss Sedden is a member of the National Honor Society. She is sponsored by the Berkshire Common Merchants Association.

Miss Carol A. Winslow, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson A. Winslow of 121 Plunkett St. A senior at St. Joseph's High School, Miss Winslow is a member of the Jets Club, Glee club, the school newspaper and yearbook. The Pittsfield Fire Department is sponsoring her.

Parks Dept. reschedules Nordic meet

John J. Unwin, chairman of the 8th Open Nordic Ski Meet sponsored by the winter sports committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation and originally scheduled for Jan. 7, today announced the event has been rescheduled for Sunday, January 21, at Pittsfield State Forest.

Applications for this event still are available at the Department of Parks and Recreation, Besse-Clark ski shop, Bonny Ski 'N Sport and Dick Moon's Sporting Goods.

The Nordic consists of two events, a cross-country and jumping, and is open to boys and girls, men and women. There is no age limit—young or old—for participants.

Winter Carnival fireworks show will be Jan. 20

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee today announced that it will again sponsor a display of aerial fireworks in conjunction with the 28th annual Winter Carnival.

The fireworks show will be next Saturday evening, Jan. 20, starting at 8 p.m. at Bousquet ski area and will last approximately a half-hour. The chairman for the fireworks is Herbert M. Jones.

Ice trials convene at Pontoosuc

13th edition
of auto races
set for weekend

The 13th annual Berkshire Motor Sports Club ice trials will take place this weekend at the Lakeview Restaurant on Pontoosuc Lake in Pittsfield.

The ice trials, cosponsored by the Winter Sports Committee in conjunction with the Department of Parks and Recreation, will be held from 10 a.m. until dark on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. There will be races for every type of car or truck that can come up with the entry fee and trophies will be given. Snowmobiles and motorcycles are ineligible.

Saturday's racing will be taken up primarily with practice runs, the official races coming on Sunday. In addition, the three winners of the 1972 auto slalom season will challenge any three-man teams in a team car race.

For further information, Butch Sciarra in Pittsfield, Sue Ruschetti in Dalton or Dave Kidd in Lenox may be called.

Races on ice described as 'slipperiest'

In what was described by many as 'the slipperiest conditions ever,' the 13th annual Berkshire Motor Sports Club ice trials were held this weekend under sunny skies on Pontoosuc Lake.

Heath Thomson of Pittsfield with a Jeep Wagoneer and Peter DeSilva of Great Barrington in a dune buggy had the fastest times Saturday and Sunday, respectively, and won the dune buggy four-wheel drive modified division and the dune buggy division between them.

The time trials had winners in nine individual classes and one team category.

Joining Thomson and DeSilva in the winners' circle were Clark Nicholls of Pittsfield, who won the split-drive, studded tire class in a Falcon station wagon; Gunter Breitmaier, Hinsdale, front-wheel drive and engine over rear, studded tire class, Karmann Ghia; Butch Sciarra, Pittsfield, front-wheel drive, unstudded tire class, Saab 97; and Harold Cameron, Albany, modified, unstudded tire class, Saab 96.

Also winning in yesterday's action were William Ruschetti, Pittsfield, engine over rear, unstudded tire class Corvair; Fred Scott-Smith, Dalton, split-drive, unstudded tire class, DAF Dafodil; and Alita Cameron, Albany, ladies' handicap division, Saab 96.

Taking the team championship category, which included the combined finishes of all competing three-man teams, was the trio of Sciarra, Ruschetti and Dave Kidd of Lenox, who amassed two first places and one second.

The HOUSE of CARPETS

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WINTER CARNIVAL QUEEN CONTEST

Let's back the Pittsfield Parks Department and support this very worthwhile endeavor. We will have pictures of all contestants in our window this week, come see!

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WINNERS in city championship skating meet last night at the Boys' Club rink were: left to right, front row, Margaret Kelly, Anthony Scelsi, David Galt, Susan Kordana, Barry Clairmont, Joyce Galt and Tom Moffatt; back row, Karen Homa, Jim Burns, Jim Troy and Joseph Horton. Queen is Miss Eileen Torchio.

11 skaters are honored in annual city meet

Eleven divisional champions were crowned in 10 sections in the annual city skating championship meet last night at the Boys' Club rink. Andy Scelsi and Dave Galt tied for the pee-wee boys' title, and nine others established clear-cut supremacy in their classes.

These were: Pee-wee girls, Margaret Kelly; pony girls, Susan Kordana; pony boys, Barry Clairmont; midget girls, Joyce Galt; midget boys, Tom Moffatt; juvenile girls, Karen Homa; juvenile boys, Jim Burns; junior boys, Jim Troy; intermediate boys, Joseph Horton.

A field of 44 entrants participated. It was the first sport event of the 28th annual winter carnival, sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Mario J. Tassinari was chairman. Awards were presented to the first three finishers in each

event, plus the high-point trophy winners in each division. Ribbon winners and their events were as follows:

Pee-wee boys, 55 yards: 1. Anthony Scelsi, 2. David Galt, 3. Bobby Belford.

Pee-wee girls, 55 yards: 1. Margaret Kelly, 2. Sheila Connors.

Pony girls, 110 yards: 1. Susan Kordana, 2. Kathy Connors, 3. Denise Fallon.

Pony boys, 110 yards: 1. Barry Clairmont, 2. Paul Horton, 3. Dennis Kelly.

Pee-wee boys, 110 yards: 1. David Galt, 2. Anthony Scelsi, 3. Bobby Belford.

Intermediate boys, 440 yards: 1. Joseph Horton, 2. Tim King, 3. Chester Johnston.

Pee-wee girls, 110 yards: 1. Margaret Kelly, 2. Sheila Connors.

Junior boys, 330 yards: 1. Jim Troy, 2. Rene Champoux, 3. Michael Tornicelli.

Juvenile boys, 330 yards: 1. Jim Burns, 2. Mark Dallmeyer, 3. Brian Rowell.

Juvenile girls, 330 yards: 1. Darlene Tornicelli, 2. Karen Homa, 3. Susan Belford.

Midget boys, 220 yards: 1. Tom Moffatt, 2. Andre Champoux, 3. John Breznjak, 4. Peter Connors.

Pony girls, 220 yards: 1. Susan Kordana, 2. Denise Fallon.

Pony boys, 220 yards: 1. Barry Clairmont, 2. Dennis Kelly, 3. Paul Horton, 4. Edward Hughes.

Midget girls, 220 yards: 1. Joyce Galt, 2. Charlene Homa, 3. Regina Fallon, 4. Gina Belford.

Intermediate boys, 440 yards: 1. Joseph Horton, 2. Tim King, 3. Chester Johnston.

Junior boys, 440 yards: 1. Jim Troy, 2. Rene Champoux, 3. Michael Tornicelli.

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Additional officials for this event were: Judge, Mrs. Richard Belford; corner judges, Kurt Hosspot, David Izzo and Joe Miraglia; runners, Kathy Brown, Jimmy Brown and John Miraglia; lap counter, Bruce Flocken.

SPORTS

JAN 16 1973

Officials set for speed skating event

Berkshire Hills Outdoor slated this weekend

Officials for the Berkshire Hills Outdoor speed skating championships have been announced by Robert B. Deloye, chairman of the event, which is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday on Pontoosuc Lake.

Officials are: registrars, Mrs. Carl Peaslee, Mrs. Mary T. Smith and Miss Andrea Snell of Pittsfield; clerks of course, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Ryan of Lenox and Kenneth Kearney of Utica, N.Y.; scorers, Mrs. Peaslee, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. James Neal and Mrs. George Purdy of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., and Mrs. Deloye; referees, John Byrns, Syracuse, N.Y., William Cooney, Bronx, N.Y., David Dunlap, Boston, and Mrs. Mary N. Sand, Stratford, Conn.

Also judges, Carl E. Peaslee, Vincent J. Hebert, Deloye and James Farry of Pittsfield; E. Barnes Dunlap, Saratoga Springs, Mrs. Evelyn Kearney, Frank Dick, J. Paul Graham, Utica; Walter Gavry, Ft. Johnson, N.Y., Miss Karen Kearney, Chatham, N.Y., Joseph Sulc, Woodhaven, N.Y., Frank Paciariello, Wading River, N.Y., William Hughes, Bronx; Mrs. Leslie Moore, Flushing, N.Y., John Egan, Brooklyn, N.Y., Mrs. Doris Patnode, Lake Placid, N.Y., James Moore, Syracuse, N.Y.

Also timers, Mrs. Hazel Spencer, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Mrs. Walter Gavry, Fort Johnson, N.Y., Mrs. Richard O'Brien, Ballston Spa, N.Y., Mrs. John Egan, Brooklyn, N.Y., Melburn Bruso, Ray Brook, N.Y., Charles Ambrosetti, Newburgh, N.Y.; starters, Philip Janckiewicz, Yorkville, N.Y., David Roche, Brooklyn; Robert Ahrendtsen, New Hartford, N.Y.; announcers, James Neal, Saratoga Springs, and Kenneth Kearney, Utica.

Local residents assisting will be: medal awards, Pete Drummond; trophy awards, Miss Eileen Torchio, 1972 winter carnival queen; results, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Clemens; first aid, Mrs. Russell Flocken and Mrs. Joseph Miraglia; runners, Mary Kay Clemens and Ann Marie Clemens; properties, John Marchesi.

The races are sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation as part of their 28th annual winter carnival. Races will start at 1 p.m. on Saturday and 11:30 a.m. on Sunday.

Weekend skating meet still a question mark

JAN 18 1973

With the weather still a big question mark, the Berkshire Hills outdoor speed skating championship was considered on today for this weekend on Pontoosuc Lake. The Park Department maintenance crew has laid out the track in front of the Sons of Italy Itam-Lodge.

Entries have been received from skaters throughout Massachusetts, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Maryland, Virginia and New Brunswick, Canada. A total of 170 entries had been received as of last night, with another 20 expected.

Many of last week's champions in Saratoga Springs, N.Y., will be competing, including Pittsfield's Joanne Farry. Others will be senior, Ron Peters of Bayside, N.Y., Drew Hayes of Buchanan, N.Y., an intermediate; junior, Tom Ready of West Orange, N.J.; juvenile, Matt Moore of Syracuse, N.Y.; Jeff Stratmeyer of Baltimore, Md. a pony boy, and peewee, David Meaney of Burlington. In the girl's division, in addition to Miss Farry, will be junior Anne Ahrendtsen, New Hartford, N.Y.; Ann's sister Jean will be vying for the pony girls' crown and Lorraine Ambrose of Stratford, Conn, the peewee girls.

The largest class will be the senior men with 37 entries to date.

The races are open to all registered speed skaters in the United States and Canada.

Two members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club broke records in the 330-yard events

at Saratoga. Miss Farry broke the old record for the association and district with a time of 32.4 seconds, the old association record was 32.9 set by Ellen Williams and the old district record of 34.2 was set by Joanne. Pony boy Jimmy Brown had a time of 41.6, the old time was 44.2 set by Tim Snyder. The 330 events were new in 1972.

JAN 20 1973

Fireworks display postponed

Herbert M. Jones, chairman of the fireworks display scheduled by the Winter Sports Committee tonight at 8 at Bousquet's ski area, said this morning the display will be postponed one week until next Saturday.

Various circumstances forced the postponement this week, Jones said, adding that "not the least of the reasons was the weather, which makes the possibility of a torchlight parade almost impossible."

JAN 20 1973

Ice-fishing derby scheduled Jan. 28

James H. Frank, chairman of the ice-fishing derby scheduled as one of the events of the city's 28th annual Winter Carnival announced today that the derby will be Sunday, Jan. 28, on Pontoosuc Lake.

Hours for the event will be 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., with all participants required to register at the Lakeview Restaurant at 1653 North St. before 1 p.m. There are four divisions for the Ice Fishing Derby — boys, girls, men, women, and three prizes are to be awarded in each division. A registration fee of 50 cents will be charged for adults.

JAN 19 1973

Torchlight parade of skiers set before fireworks

The fireworks display of the winter sports festival will be held tomorrow night at 8 at Bousquet Ski Area.

The ski slope lights will be turned off at 8, and a torchlight parade of skiers from Bousquet's demonstration teams will make its way slowly down the incline.

Following the parade, the half-hour of fireworks will be set off. As in previous years, the aerial display should be visible from sites throughout the city as well as from the ski area.

The chairman of the event is Herbert M. Jones.

Ball tickets to go on sale

JAN 20 1973

Winter carnival queen's coronation is a Feb. 9 event

Tickets go on sale Monday for the winter carnival coronation ball planned for 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., Feb. 9, in the Colonial Hilton grand ballroom.

One of 19 events of the 28th annual winter carnival sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, the ball will mark the coronation of the 1973 carnival queen.

She will be chosen that night by three out-of-town judges. Nine girls are vying for the title. Each must sell 1,000 winter carnival buttons by Jan. 31 to be eligible for the crown.

Tickets for the ball are available through Mrs. Charles R. Gattuso of 25 McKinley Ter. and Mrs. David R. Geary of 900 West St., both of whom are chairmen of the ball, and through Mrs. Carl Peaslee at the Parks Department, 874 North St.

JAN 19 1973

Skating races are postponed to Feb. 17-18

The Berkshire Hills outdoor speed skating championships, scheduled for tomorrow and Sunday at Pontoosuc Lake, have been postponed because of the warm weather and predicted rain. The competition has been rescheduled for Saturday, Feb. 17, and Sunday, Feb. 18.

JAN 23 1973

City note

—The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation will meet Wednesday evening at 7:30 at Springside House.

JAN 18 1973

Nordic ski meet again postponed; snow lacking

The open Nordic ski meet has been postponed again, it was announced today by Chairman John J. Unwin.

Unwin said the meet, which had been postponed earlier and rescheduled for Sunday, would have to be postponed again because of insufficient snow cover at the Pittsfield State Forest jump.

The meet has not been rescheduled.

10 Years Ago

Robert A. Vittone of 306 Cheshire Rd. was appointed to the Planning Board by Mayor Haughey. Vittone filled out the term of Albert W. Barris, who resigned because he was moving to Richmond.

Joseph F. Guitian, head of the Guitian Realty Agency, was elected and installed as president of the Berkshire Board of Realtors. He succeeded William E. Bagg.

Seven-year-old Joanne Farry of the Pittsfield Parks and Recreation Department Speed Skating Club won her seventh divisional trophy of the season by completing a two-day sweep of peewee girl competition in the Berkshire Hills speed skating meet on the Common rink.

JAN 26 1973

Fireworks are again postponed

Herbert M. Jones, chairman of the fireworks display scheduled Saturday by the city Winter Sports Committee, said today that the event has been postponed again, and a decision on a new date will be made at a meeting next Wednesday.

Jones said unseasonable weather has played havoc with the snow conditions, forcing elimination of the torchlight parade part of the program at Bousquet Ski Area. Also, he said, the weather forecast for tomorrow calls for rain, so it was decided to postpone.

Ice fishing derby scheduled at Pontoosuc

The annual ice fishing derby of the city's 28th Winter Carnival will be held tomorrow at Pontoosuc Lake from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration at the Lakeview Restaurant will end at 1 p.m. Awards will be presented as soon after 3 as possible. Participants must wear their fishing licenses on their outer garments.

A bus load of 30 fishermen from Agawam are expected to join the event. The derby was organized under the chairmanship of James H. Frank and with the assistance of members of the Streamline Anglers, the Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, the Lakewood Sportsmen's Club and the state Division of Fisheries and Game.

Awards will be made in four divisions: men, women, boys and girls. In each of these divisions three prizes will be awarded. First will go to the largest fish by weight, second to the longest fish and third to the most fish, within the legal limit.

Ball reservations

Table reservations for the annual winter carnival ball are available through Mrs. Carl Peaslee at the Park Department office.

Tables will accommodate up to 10 people. The event will be held Feb. 9 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Colonial Hilton Inn.

JAN 29 1973



Mark Mitchell

NOT THE UNITED NATIONS but Turtle Club of Pittsfield base of operations at ice fishing derby yesterday at Pontoosuc Lake. Tending tip-up in foreground is Michael Kahill. Derby drew 166 contestants.

Ice fishermen brave so-so weather to participate in annual derby

By THEODORE GIDDINGS

Remember yesterday?

It wasn't a good day (a light mixture of freezing rain and snow). But it wasn't a bad day, either.

At least 63 men, 83 boys, 18 girls and two women didn't think so. They turned out at Pontoosuc Lake for the 28th Pittsfield Winter Carnival's ice-fishing derby.

Included in this brightly and warmly clothed brigade that spread tip-ups over the frozen surface — ice varied in thickness from 8 to 16 inches — were 16 persons from the Agawam Sportsmen's Club and a like number from the Turtle Club of Pittsfield. Actually the Turtle Club had more than 16, counting families and members, but James H. Frank, derby chairman, called it a tie to stimulate interest in a group participation prize which he hopes will be awarded in the 1974 event.

Prizewinners

Tommy Pizzuto Jr., 11, of 145 Cloverdale St., whose father is a charter member of the Turtle Club, won the prize for catching the most fish in the boys' division and the derby, 53 yellow perch. Joan Gennari, 724 Peck's Road, had the most in the girls' division, 48; Robert Halsey of Lanesboro, in the men's, 33; and Mrs. Shirley Thomas, 68 Lyman St., in the women's, 4.

Taking honors for the biggest fish was Robert A. Houghtling of 98 Elizabeth St., a 7½-pound

largemouth bass. He wasn't surprised about his catch.

"We caught some nice ones out here last summer, too," he explained.

Others winning prizes for heaviest fish were: Cheri Harris, 29½ Curtis St., 2.2-pound pickerel; Bill Burke, 53 Sunset St., Lanesboro, 1.9-pound pickerel; and Joanne Lamon, 75 Howard St., .7-pound perch.

Richard Fontaine of Lanesboro checked in a 22-inch pickerel to win first prize in the men's division for longest fish. Other winners in this segment were: Kim Zullo, 160 Fort Hill Ave., 16-inch pickerel; Jonathan Maynard, Lanesboro, 15¼-inch pickerel. There was no winner in the women's division.

Janet Sanginetti, 471 Lebanon Ave., jigged out 27 perch and then nailed a 1½-pound bass. She quit, thinking the bass was a prizewinner, but it just missed out. However, last week she was a winner in the VFW derby.

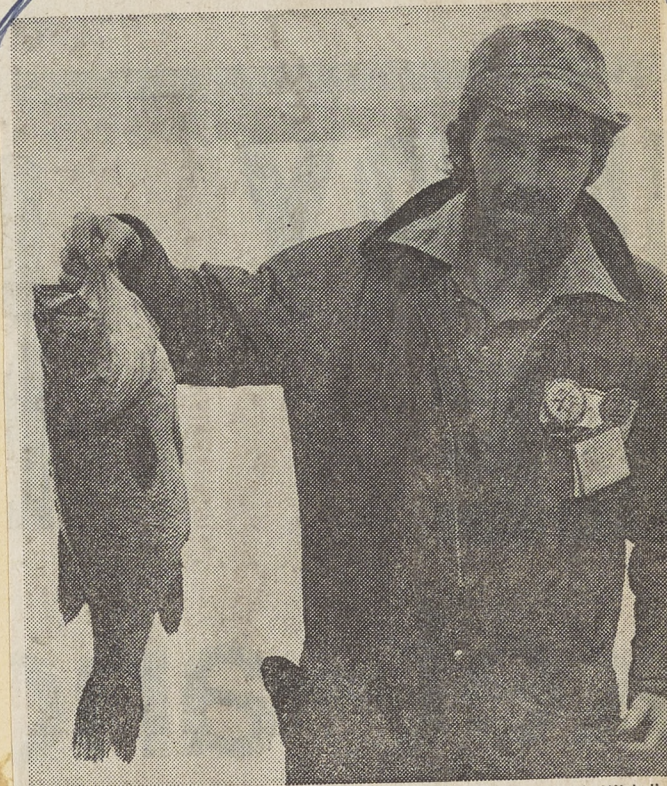
The sporting goods prizes were presented by Miss Mary Ellen Davis, lady-in-waiting of the 1972 carnival.

Assisting Chairman Frank were Supt. Vincent J. Hebert and Fred Garner of the Parks and Recreation Department.

Edward Bailey, Samuel S. Simonetta, William Danylin and John J. Zuber of Pittsfield Sportsmen's Club, Jerry Graziani of the City Pond Fish Committee, and Conservation Commission Chairman Franklin H. Controy.

The Division of Fisheries and Game was represented by Eugene D. Moran, western district wildlife manager, and the Division of Law Enforcement by Allan L. McGroary, natural resources officer.

JAN 31 1973



Mark Mitchell

HEAVIEST FISH caught in winter carnival ice fish-derby Sunday at Pontoosuc Lake was this 7½-pound largemouth black bass displayed by its captor, Robert A. Houghtlin, 98 Elizabeth St.

City note

—The Winter Sports Committee tonight at 7:30 at Springside House will consider the rescheduling of the twice-postponed annual fireworks display.

JAN 31 1973

Interscholastic ski meet scheduled this weekend

Invitations have gone out to 16 high schools and preparatory schools to participate in the Berkshire interscholastic ski meet Friday and Saturday at Jiminy Peak and the Pittsfield State forest, according to Steven V. Grande, chairman.

The event is one of those sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation as part of the 28th annual winter carnival. It draws the top teams from the Berkshire County area to compete for honors in the Alpine and Nordic events.

Alpine at Jiminy

A maximum of eight competitors from each school may enter. Five-member teams will compete in each event, with the best four being scored. Girls' teams are also eligible. "B" teams may participate Saturday.

day, in the cross-country and jumping events, but they are not eligible for team honors or for individual honors.

The slalom, scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday, will be held on the upper T-bar on the 360 slope at Jiminy. The giant slalom, slated for 1 p.m., will be held on the Ace of Spades. Saturday's event at the State Forest will begin at 9:30 a.m.

Schools invited this year are: Lenox High School, Pittsfield High, Taconic High, Deerfield Academy, Salisbury (Conn.) School, Wahconah Regional, West Springfield Senior High, Kingswood Academy, Kent (Conn.) School, Drury, Darrow, Monument Mountain, Hotchkiss, Hoosac Valley, Mt. Greylock Regional and New Lebanon (N.Y.) High.

The public is invited to attend.

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FEB 1 1973 Interscholastic ski meet starts tomorrow at Jiminy

Fifteen schools will participate in the two day interscholastic ski meet, scheduled for tomorrow and Saturday at Jiminy Peak and the Pittsfield State Forest, according to Steven V. Grande, chairman. They are: Lenox Memorial, Pittsfield High, Taconic High, Deerfield Academy, Salisbury School, Wahconah Regional, Kingswood Academy, Drury, Darrow, Monument Mountain, Hotchkiss, Hoosac Valley Regional, Mt. Greylock Regional, New Lebanon High School and Berkshire School.

On Friday there will be 15 "A" teams in the Alpine events and seven girls teams, an increase of three from last year. On Saturday, nine "A" teams, four "B" teams and four girls teams are registered for the cross-country; seven "A" teams and two "B" teams have entered the jumping.

Tomorrow's events at Jiminy will begin at 10 a.m. with a slalom race which will be set up on the upper T bar on the 360 slope. The giant slalom is scheduled for 1 p.m. on the Ace of Spades slope. Saturdays schedule at the State Forest will begin at 9:30 a.m. with the cross-country and 1 p.m. for the jumping.

Assisting the chairman with the various aspects of the meet will be: Bud Burgess and George Maynard, Alpine events; John Rusk, cross-country; John Unwin, jumping; Chuck Goodrich, chief of timing.

The interscholastics is one of 19 events sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation as part of the 28th annual winter carnival activities. The event is open to the public.

FEB 1 1973 Fireworks rescheduled for Saturday

The fireworks display and torchlight parade sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee, twice postponed because of poor weather conditions, have been rescheduled for Saturday evening at 8 at Bousquet's ski area.

Herbert M. Jones, chairman of the event, said activities will begin with the torchlight parade at 8. It will be followed by half-hour aerial fireworks display. The fireworks should be visible from vantage points through the city, as well as at the ski area, Jones said.

FEB 1 1973 Snowmobile races slated for Feb. 10-11

Snowmobile races are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 10 and 11, on Pontoosuc Lake.

The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation said it has received approval from the state Department of Marine and Recreational Vehicles to conduct the annual snowmobile races which are a part of the winter carnival activities.

Snowmobilers will come from all over the Northeast to participate in this Eastern United States championship event, the Park Department said. The American Amateur Snowmobile Corp. (AASC) sanctions the event and establishes rules for the races.

FEB 3 1973 Speed skating championships canceled for '73

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that the Berkshire Hills outdoor speed skating championships have been canceled for the season.

The meet originally was scheduled for Jan. 20 and 21 and had been postponed to this weekend if the Newburgh, N.Y., meet couldn't be run. Both the Newburgh meet and the possible chance of Pittsfield running have been canceled.

The Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club has not seen competition since Jan. 13 and Jan. 14 at Saratoga Springs, N.Y. Last week the Lake George meet had to be postponed for Feb. 17 and 18.

FEB 3 1973 Schedule announced for fireworks

The bright lights at Bousquet's ski area will go off at 8 tonight and a torchlight parade will wind down the slope in preparation of the annual fireworks display staged there.

Herbert M. Jones, chairman, said participants in the parade will be members of Bousquet's A and B demonstration teams.

On completion of the torchlight parade, the fireworks display will begin and should last for approximately a half-hour. The display will be entirely of aerial fireworks, and there will be no ground pieces, Jones said.

He said that if there has to be another change in the twice-postponed program for the fireworks due to inclement weather, announcements to this effect will be made over the local radio stations.

The fireworks are sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee.

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Joe Swayze

CROSS COUNTRY skiers of Lenox High School Nordic team kick up loose powder as they practice yesterday on hill above school. Shown are Wesley Van-Alstyne, leading, and Kevin Dinan, captain, members of "A" team. Also on "A" team are John Cossaboom,

cocaptain, and Edward Curley. Lenox squad will be among 15 school teams to compete tomorrow in interscholastic ski meet at Pittsfield State Forest. Cross-country competition begins at 9:30. Lenox coach is Eric Svenson.

FEB 3 1973 Albany orchestra will play at carnival ball Feb. 10

Ron Cremisio's Orchestra of Albany, N.Y., will play at the winter carnival queen's coronation ball Saturday, Feb. 10, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. in the Colonial Hilton's grand ballroom. Mrs. Charles R. Gattuso and Mrs. David R. Geary, chairmen, announced today.

The ball will be the final event for the nine queen contestants, each of whom sold a minimum of 1,000 carnival buttons between Jan. 5 and 31 to be eligible for judging. The queen will be chosen by three out-of-town judges.

Table reservations still are available and may be made by calling Mrs. Carl Peaslee at the Department of Parks and Recreation. Each table seats 10.

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Taconic leads Interscholastic as rain marks 1st day of meet

By MIKE MESEROLE

The rain came down and the fog closed in at Jiminy Peak yesterday just in time for the slalom and giant slalom events of the annual Berkshire Interscholastic ski championships. But despite the ghastly weather, Taconic High appears to be on its way to a third consecutive title as the Braves ski team captured both boys' Alpine events for a combined lead over a field of 15 schools. In the girls' event, Mt. Greylock is far in front of its seven-team division after the first day of competition.

The Interscholastics will conclude today at Pittsfield State Forest with the running of the Nordic events. The cross-country races will begin at 9:30 a.m. and the ski jumping competition at 1 p.m.

Conditions for championship skiing were horrendous on the Ace of Spades and Three-Sixty slopes as the rain and fog teamed up to give Jiminy a packed surface of wet slush. The course maintenance crews were out on the mountain at 6:30 a.m. salting down both the slalom and giant slalom (GS) runs but their efforts were fruitless. Instead of dispensing salt they should have been passing out life preservers.

"This is more like the interscholastic water skiing championships," cracked Pittsfield High coach Terry Goodrich as he watched another of his skiing Generals bite the slush on the soupy Three-Sixty slalom course. Earlier in the day seven out of a field of 75 boys had



failed to finish the mush GS run for one reason or another. By the closing darkness of the afternoon, however, the bad conditions had worsened and 22 entrants had fallen overboard in the slalom.

Things got so bad in the meet that after the GS in the morning, the entire Deerfield team packed up its water wings and left town, choosing to skip the afternoon's proceedings rather than risk drowning and double pneumonia.

McFayden, Bailey win

Nevertheless, the show proceeded as scheduled and due to the dedication of the people who put the meet together and the desire of the kids who came to ski, both Alpine events took place.

Jeff McFayden of Lenox won the boys GS, besting Berkshire's Richard MacDonald 60.78 to 61.47. Ed Rouse of Hotchkiss came in third and the Lyon brothers, Jeff and Bill of Taconic, rounded out the top five finishers. In the boys' slalom, MacFayden fell victim to the course and Greg Bailey of Taconic was the winner with a time of 36.95, edging teammate Bill Lyon by four-hundredths of a second. Dale Maynard of New Lebanon finished third.

In the girls Alpine, Vicky Lowry of Mt. Greylock and Lois Atherton of Taconic beat each other while Anne Condron of Greylock placed third twice. Lowry took the GS in a time of 69.56 with Atherton second, and then Atherton won the slalom with a 41.53 mark and Lowry was the runner-up.

BOYS' COMBINED

TACONIC	189.91
MT. GREYLOCK	181.45
HOTCHKISS	180.92
BERKSHIRE	179.34
SALISBURY	178.72
DRURY	171.14
KINGSWOOD	147.57
PITTSFIELD	145.03
LENOX	143.73
WAHCONAH	129.54
MONUMENT MT.	127.80
HOOSAC VALLEY	126.32
DARROW	119.54
NEW LEBANON	114.22
DEERFIELD	88.07

GIRLS' COMBINED

MT. GREYLOCK	187.82
TACONIC	169.50
MONUMENT MT.	168.03
WAHCONAH	159.27
NEW LEBANON	135.41
PITTSFIELD	134.11
LENOX	113.67

BOYS' GIANT SLALOM

Place	Name	Time
1	McFayden, Lenox	60.78
2	MacDonald, Berkshire	61.47
3	Rouse, Hotchkiss	62.38
4	J. Lyon, Taconic	62.43
5	B. Lyon, Taconic	63.16
6	D. Wright, Mt. Greylock	63.51
7	Dean Maynard, New Leb.	63.63
8	Bailey, Taconic	63.86
9	Remington, Deerfield	64.22
10	Dale Maynard, New Leb.	64.35
11	Monico, Wahconah	65.73
12	Saldo, Hoosac	66.02
13	Shaftuck, Monument Mt.	66.14
14	Wilson, Berkshire	66.27
15	Chelkowski, Pittsfield	66.31

GIRLS' GIANT SLALOM

Place	Name	Time
1	Lowry, Mt. Greylock	69.56
2	Atherton, Taconic	70.51
3	Condron, Mt. Greylock	71.84
4	Sullivan, Monument Mt.	75.06
5	Shapiro, Mt. Greylock	76.33
6	Tague, Mt. Greylock	76.81
7	Makes, Taconic	77.38
8	TenBroeck, Monument Mt.	77.74
9	Voll, Wahconah	76.69
10	Plageman, Lenox	80.38
11	Connor, Taconic	82.74
12	Pierro, Pittsfield	82.84
13	Garrity, Lenox	82.98
14	Vosburgh, Monument Mt.	84.17
15	Hannum, Taconic	89.95

BOYS' SLALOM

Place	Name	Time
1	Bailey, Taconic	36.95
2	B. Lyon, Taconic	36.99
3	D. Maynard, New Leb.	37.16
4	Rouse, Hotchkiss	37.33
5	Dick Wright, Mt. Greylock	37.99
6	Wilson, Berkshire	38.73
7	Shaftuck, Monument Mt.	38.93
8	Condron, Mt. Greylock	38.99
9	MacDonald, Berkshire	39.02
10	Doug Wright, Mt. Greylock	39.22
11	Denault, Hoosac Valley	39.87
12	Kiefer, Salisbury	40.02
13	Fudali, Salisbury	40.35
14	Cartier, Taconic	40.61
15	S. Whitham, Drury	41.25

GIRLS' SLALOM

Place	Name	Time
1	Atherton, Taconic	41.53
2	Lowry, Mt. Greylock	43.65
3	Condron, Mt. Greylock	43.76
4	Tague, Mt. Greylock	44.70
5	TenBroeck, Monument Mt.	46.60
6	Voll, Wahconah	46.86
7	Sullivan, Monument Mt.	50.23
8	Cassavani, Lenox	51.94
9	Vincelette, Lenox	52.66
10	Connors, Taconic	55.06
11	Wyand, Wahconah	55.45
12	Spence, Wahconah	56.12
13	Murtagh, Monument Mt.	56.14
14	S. Jocham, New Leb.	56.48
15	Carey, Pittsfield	57.12



Mark Mitchell

SHOOTING THE RAPIDS at Jiminy Peak yesterday in the Berkshire Interscholastic ski championships is Leslie Gubit of New Lebanon High as the judges watch the dampened proceedings from the sheltered sidelines.



TACONIC HIGH BOYS' TEAM gathers around carnival queen Eileen Torchio Saturday afternoon at Pittsfield State Forest after winning its division of the Berkshire interscholastic meet. From left to right are:

front row, Bob Zuber, cocaptain Dan Pietrowski, Miss Torchio, cocaptain and skimeister Bill Lyon and coach Ron Estes; in the back row, Greg Bailey, Terry Wetherell, Jeff Lyon, Bill Evans and Bob Cartier.



MT. GREYLOCK GIRLS TEAM displays its winning hardware after the Berkshire Interscholastic ski championships. Pictured from left to right: front row, carnival queen Eileen Torchio, Jill Anderson, captain

Patty Latch, skimeister Anne Condron, Vicky Lowry, and coach John Lane; in the back row, Sue Lehovec, Amy Shapiro, Susan Tague and Debby Holmes. The Mt. Greylock girls defeated a field of seven teams.

Taconic, Greylock girls win in Berkshire meet; jump not held

By MIKE MESEROLE

Led by the brilliant over-all performances of Bill Lyon and Anne Condron, the Taconic High School boys and Mt. Greylock girls emerged as the team winners in the annual Berkshire interscholastic ski championships at Pittsfield State Forest Saturday afternoon. Lyon and Miss Condron were named recipients of this year's skimeister award at the meet's conclusion.

Handicapped by weather that was decidedly unfriendly, the interscholastic meet, which attracted 15 boys' teams and seven girls' squads, was forced to abbreviate its four-event format and cancel the ski jump competition. Jump chairman John Unwin, together with U.S. Ski Association jumping judge Bill Ayson and former Williams ski coach Ralph Townsend, reluctantly called off the finale when it became obvious that the weekend rains had rendered the jump ramp at State Forest unsafe.

Girl skimeister

The only silver lining around this cloud was that, for the first time in the interscholastics, a girl was named a skimeister. The title represents the best over-all performance in every event, which includes slalom, giant slalom (GS), cross-country and jumping. But since girls have yet to compete in the jumping category, they have traditionally been excluded from the highest honor.

With the deletion of the jump this year, the girls were on even terms with the boys and shared the top prize. In fact, Miss Condron's combined point total of 291.73, with a first place in the cross-country and a pair of thirds in the slalom and GS, exceeded the 286.66 score logged by Lyon, who finished second in the slalom, fifth in the GS and seventh in cross-country.

In Saturday's lone event, the cross-country, the Mt. Greylock girls' contingent gave an impressive demonstration of teamwork by winning not only first place, but second, third, fourth and sixth place as well. Motivated by Miss Condron's 19.63 winning time, Debby Holmes and Sue Tague also traversed the State Forest course under 20.00, followed shortly by teammates Patty Latch and Jill Anderson. Bridget Makes of Taconic managed to foil a Greylock sweep by finishing fifth.

Miss Makes' cohorts on the Taconic boys' team fared better, as they initiated a stampede of their own in the cross-country, taking second, third, fourth, sixth and seventh places. The race was won by Al Asher of Pittsfield High in a time of 14:33, with Taconic's Dan Pietrowski, Bob Zuber and Bill Evans in close pursuit. Terry Wetherell and Lyon completed the Braves blitz, but not before Mt. Greylock's Alan Eusden had finished fifth.

There was a correction issued Saturday on the finish of the boys' slalom run Friday. Of the top 15 finishers, the following boys have been added: 10th, Dean Maynard of New Lebanon, N.Y., with a time of 39.07; 11th, Bob Tague, Mt. Greylock, 39.20; and 15th, Dave McKenna, Kingswood, 40.17.

Taking into consideration the atrocious weather inflicted on the Berkshire over the weekend



and adding that to the already burdensome duties of the ski meet committee, chaired by Steve Grande, which would have had its work cut out even in perfect weather, it is no small feat that the interscholastics actually took place this year.

Despite the rain and fog Friday, the slalom and GS runs at Jiminy Peak were held on courses that, to the inexperienced eye, seemed treacherous but, in fact, were safe and remarkably solid, due primarily to the efforts of course chief George Maynard and gate positioner Bud Burgess.

The cross-country races went according to plan. Even though the ski jump was eventually canceled, it was not for lack of trying, as snow was being hiked in Saturday morning in a valiant effort to save the event.

From the race secretaries Kay Maynard and Rita Vandergrift to starter Roger Sloper to the time checkers, the time and energy invested in running the meet came from many sources. "These are amazing people," Grande said after the championships. "They put this thing together and took a whole day off without pay, many with no youngsters in the race but just for the love of it and to support the area ski program."

And judging by their perform-

ance over the weekend and the enthusiasm that their efforts promoted in the youngsters who competed, the Berkshire skiing program is in line for a skimeister award of its own.

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

BOYS			
Pl.	School	Alpine	X-Country
1.	Taconic	189.93	97.91
2.	Mt. Greylock	185.48	91.39
3.	Holchkiss	180.92	85.67
4.	Pittsfield	161.80	92.31
5.	Drury	171.14	77.19
6.	Lenox	166.01	81.40
7.	Hosack Valley	167.44	61.31
8.	Wahconah	129.32	78.90
9.	Berkshire	179.34	DNR
10.	Salisbury	178.74	DNR
11.	Darrow	119.53	57.89
12.	Kingswood	170.41	DNR
13.	New Lebanon	152.44	DNR
14.	Monument Mt.	145.42	DNR
15.	Deerfield	88.07	DNR

GIRLS			
Pl.	School	Alpine	X-Country
1.	Mt. Greylock	187.82	100.00
2.	Taconic	169.50	80.34
3.	Wahconah	159.27	78.41
4.	Monument Mt.	168.03	DNR
5.	New Lebanon	135.41	DNR
6.	Pittsfield	134.11	DNR
7.	Lenox	113.67	DNR

CROSS-COUNTRY

BOYS			
Pl.	Name	School	Time
1.	Asher, Pittsfield		14:33
2.	Pietrowski, Taconic		15:08
3.	Zuber, Taconic		15:35
4.	Evans, Taconic		15:51
5.	Eusden, Mt. Greylock		15:58
6.	Wetherell, Taconic		16:13
7.	Lyon, Taconic		16:38
8.	Leach, Pittsfield		16:43
9.	Tague, Mt. Greylock		16:53
10.	Chetowski, Pittsfield		16:57
11.	Surgenor, Mt. Greylock		16:85
12.	Townsend, Mt. Greylock		17:01
13.	Connors, Taconic-B		17:13
14.	Hayes, Taconic-B		17:35
15.	Malaga, Mt. Greylock		17:41

GIRLS			
Pl.	Name	School	Time
1.	Condron, Mt. Greylock		19:63
2.	Holmes, Mt. Greylock		19:71
3.	Tague, Mt. Greylock		19:81
4.	Latch, Mt. Greylock		21:61
5.	Makes, Taconic		23:53
6.	Anderson, Mt. Greylock		23:41
7.	Altherton, Taconic		25:53
8.	Voll, Wahconah		25:53
9.	Wyand, Wahconah		25:51
10.	Hannum, Taconic		25:68
11.	Peasley, Wahconah		26:03
12.	Barthe, Wahconah		26:15
13.	Quigley, Taconic		26:33
14.	Monico, Wahconah		28:51
15.	Soutra, Taconic		33:13

Judge Tamburello to be ball M.C.

Superior Court Judge Paul A. Tamburello will serve as master of ceremonies at the winter carnival ball Friday at the Colonial Hilton Inn.

Tickets will be sold at the door, starting at 9 p.m.

FEB 7 1973 Mayor to preside at snowmobile race

Mayor Donald G. Butler will be grand marshal at the annual snowmobile races conducted as part of the Pittsfield Winter Carnival on Saturday and Sunday at Pontoosuc Lake, according to Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry, chairmen.

The Eastern United States snowmobile championships, sanctioned by the American Amateur Snowmobile Corp., will begin at 10 a.m. both days. Stock, super-stock and modified snowmobiles from all over the Northeast will be the main attractions of the meet. Door prizes and a full kitchen will help provide a great family outing for the weekend.

As an added attraction, a group of volunteer students from the city's high schools will participate in a tug-of-war on the snow during half-time activities. The contest will be between groups of 12 men.

She skimeister

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Mike Meserole is in error in his Feb. 5 report of last weekend's Interscholastic Ski Meet in stating that "for the first time in the interscholastics, a girl was named skimeister."

Last year, Laurie Monico of the Wahconah girls' ski team earned this honor.

I congratulate Anne Condron and the Mt. Greylock girls' team who received top honors this year. Congratulations also to the Taconic boys for victory in their division.

MAUREEN HASSETT

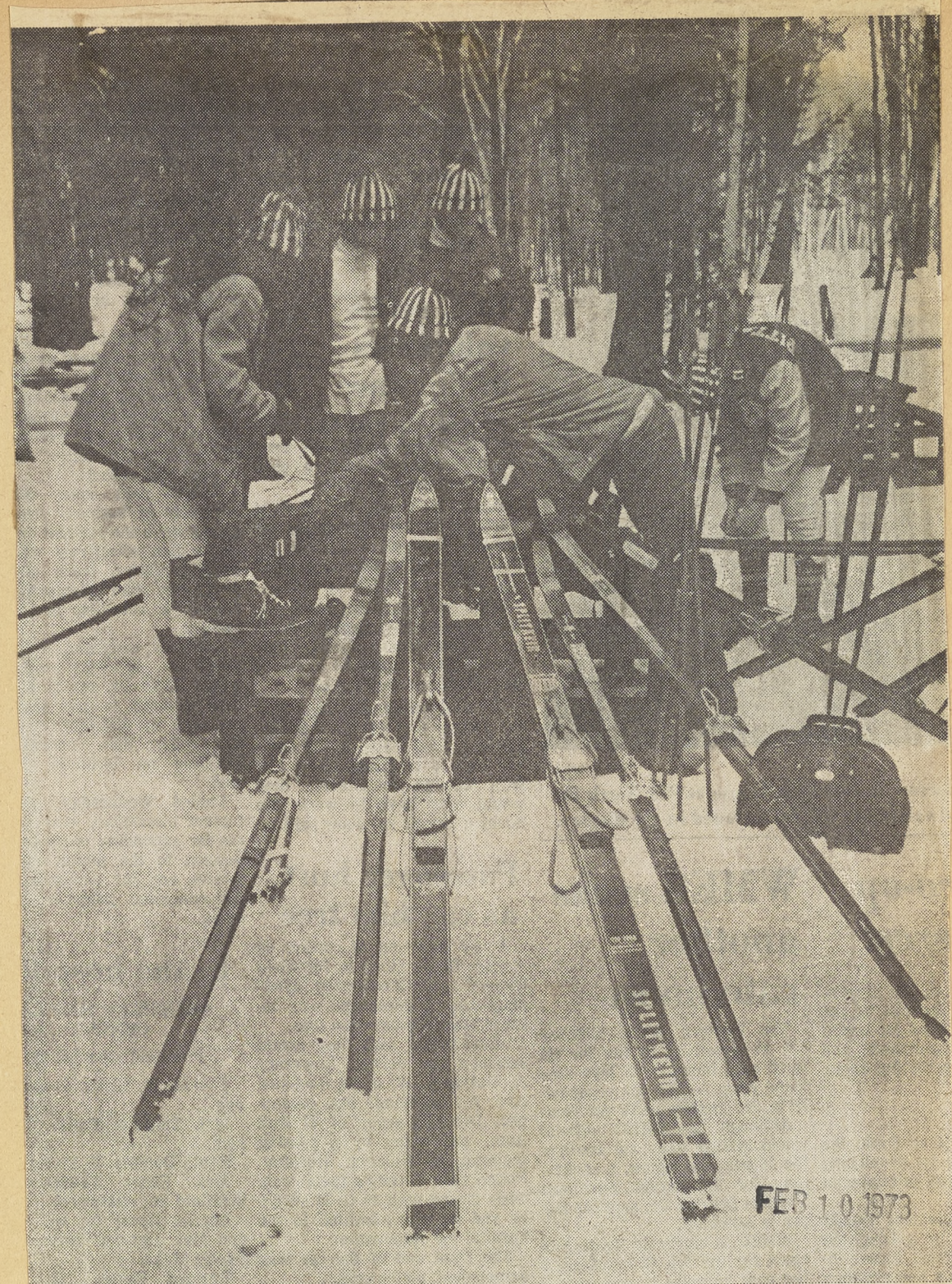
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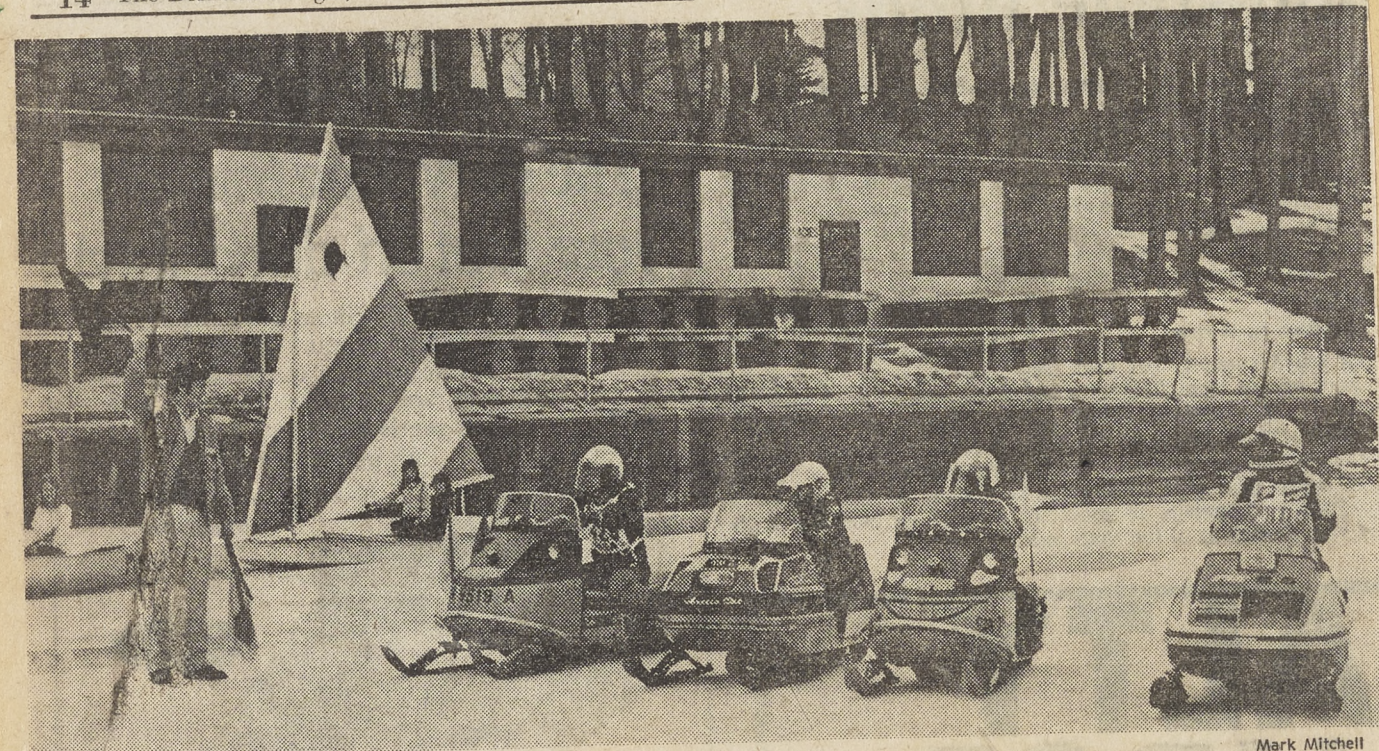
VIEW FROM THE SWAYZES': Eagle reporter-photographer Joe Swayze covered the fireworks at Bousquet's Saturday night from the bedroom window of the family apartment atop South Mountain. He described assignment as very comfortable.



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BEFORE THE RACE, members of the Pittsfield High ski team have a huddle at Pittsfield State Forest to decide on the correct wax for cross country event in the Berkshire Interscholastics. The large skis in front are for jumping, which was cancelled because of poor conditions.

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Mark Mitchell

GETTING SET for Eastern United States snowmobile championship races, four snowmobilers practice starts on Pontoosuc Lake. The races are scheduled for Saturday and Sunday at the lake as part of the winter carnival sponsored by the city Winter Sports Committee. Starting time for races on both days will be 10 a.m.

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Queen contest judges named

Miss Carol Russell, Peter Alford and Horace Crow will be judges at the annual winter carnival ball tonight at the Colonial Hilton Inn.

Miss Russell, is owner and director of the Carol Russell School of Charm and Modeling in Springfield. Before opening her school in 1968, Miss Russell was a professional model and a former Miss Springfield. She is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts and the John Robert Powers School of Modeling.

Peter Alford has been associate director of admissions and director of financial aid at Simon's Rock for the past three years. Before going to Simon's Rock he taught and coached at the Berkshire School in Sheffield.

Horace Crow of Astoria, N.Y., is a management consultant. Before taking his present assignment, he was a systems manager for Borden's, Inc., in Wayne, N.J.

Tickets will be available at the door. Dancing to Ron Cremisio's orchestra from Albany will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., the Coronation of the new queen and her lady-in-waiting will take place as soon as the judging is completed.

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Snowmobiles to race on Pontoosuc

Snowmobile races will be presented tomorrow and Sunday on Pontoosuc Lake as part of the 28th annual winter carnival activities sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Starting time for both days is 10 a.m., with racer registration set to begin at 7 a.m.

Tomorrow's races will be for amateurs and will include 13 classes for men, women, boys and girls.

The ice track is expected to allow snowmobiles to hit top speeds of more than 90 m.p.h.

Spectators will be able to see the races from the bathhouse area at Pontoosuc Lake, as well as from the surrounding hillside. Ample parking in the public beach lots will provide easy access to the races for both spectators and participants.

Door prizes and a full kitchen will make the weekend an ideal outing for the entire family.

FEB 10 1973



CARNIVAL QUEEN Karen M. Freeman, a Taconic High School senior, proudly assumes the silver throne for 1973 following her coronation last night at the Hilton.

THS senior is queen of carnival

There should be considerable community satisfaction in having Karen Freeman as queen of Pittsfield's Winter Carnival, not just because she's the first black chosen for the honor but also because of her 17-year-old queenly grace. Busy with Taconic High School student activities and in a Junior Achievement business, she has further to her credit an interest in public affairs which she has been exercising by working for the city auditor's office as an unpaid volunteer.

Miss Karen M. Freeman, 17, a Taconic High School senior, was crowned 1973 Winter Carnival Queen at the coronation ball last night in the Colonial Hilton.

The daughter of Mrs. Cecile Freeman of 41 Robbins Ave., she is the first black to win the title, although in past years there have been black contestants. The queen presides at Winter Sports Committee events and parades during her reign.

Named by the panel of three judges to be lady-in-waiting was Miss Darlene E. Love, 20, of 231 Highland Ave., a senior clerk-typist and operator at City Hall.

Nine girls entered the contest and each sold at least 1,000 buttons by the deadline Jan. 31 to be eligible for the crown. A total of 14,527 of the 25-cent buttons were sold. Proceeds support sports events sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee and city recreation department.

Miss Deborah Seddon, 17, a Mt. Greylock Regional High School senior, sold the most buttons — 4,088, and Miss Judy Taylor, 17, a Taconic senior, running second with sales of more than 3,000.

FEB 10 1973 Entries being taken for city sled races

Application blanks are available for the city sled races, scheduled for Sunday afternoon, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m. at Clapp Park according to Edward N. O'Hearn, chairman of the event.

The sled races are one of the events of the 28th annual Winter Carnival sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The races are open for children through 12 years of age divided into the following categories for boys and girls: mid-et class, 5 years and under; junior class, 6 and 7 years; intermediate class, 8, 9, and 10 years, and senior class, 11 and 12 years.

Applications may be picked up at the Department of Parks and Recreation offices at 874 North St., O'Hearn said, adding that they should be submitted by next Friday at 5 p.m.

As in previous years, a special award will be made to the school having the most entrants in the races.

FEB 13 1973 City notes

—The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation will meet tomorrow night to hear reports on past and future events.

The meeting, which will begin at 7:30 at the Springside House, is open to the public.

Carnival queen contest leader may step down

After three years of heading the winter carnival's Queen Contest Committee, Mrs. Francis G. Sanginetti says she will probably not accept another term as chairman, if asked.

Officers for the 1974 Winter Sports Committee have not yet been named. They will be elected from among the 200-member committee in late March or early April, according to Raymond Hospot, current chairman. The officers appoint committee heads.

During a radio interview, Mrs. Sanginetti was asked if she would accept the chairmanship again. She replied "No, probably not."

Asked if the past two years' controversy over alleged exploitation of entrants to raise funds through button sales had to do with her decision, she said yesterday, "Oh, no. Nothing at all to do with that."

She added that the controversy had been more apparent last year. If that had been the cause, she said, she would not have accepted the job for 1973.

However, she said, because of family commitments, "even this year was very difficult." Her 13- and 11-year-old children are becoming increasingly involved in winter sports at the time when she is busiest.

She said she was disappointed with the turnout of only nine girls for the contest this year and in total button sales. Last year, 16 girls entered and sold close to 30,000 buttons. The nine this year sold 14,527.

However, Hospot said, "I was satisfied with the results." Last year was the record button sales year, he said. The average per-contestant number sold this year was on a par with previous years, he added.

Seventy-five entered in city meet

Seventy-five entries have been received to date for the city ski meet scheduled for Saturday in Lulu Cascade at the Pittsfield State Forest, Chairman Robert Cartier has announced. The races will be open to boys and girls 6 through 17 years of age from Pittsfield and adjoining towns.

The deadline for filing applications has been extended from today to noon tomorrow in order to enable more youngsters to enter. Entries should be left at the Department of Parks and Recreation, 874 North St.

The public is invited to witness the races, which will get under way shortly after 9 Saturday morning.

FEB 15 1973

Park Department lists snowmobile race winners

Here is a complete list of the winners of last weekend's snowmobile races on Pontoosuc Lake.

The Department of Parks and Recreation, race sponsor, was unable to provide addresses for all the contestants. The addresses were apparently omitted from the racing forms.

Results of Saturday's amateur races, stock class for junior boys, were: Neil Molinero of Whitehall, N.Y., first; Gary Little of Saratoga, N.Y., second, and Joe DeVito of Mechanicville, N.Y., third.

Winners of junior girls' stock class were Anne Cormier of Hinsdale, first, and Charlene Miller of Mechanicville, second, Mary Rigby of Philadelphia, Pa., took first in women's Stock 1 and Karen Beckwith of Whitehall took first in women's Stock 2.

Men's Stock races

For men's Stock 1, Ron Cormier of Hinsdale was first; Duane St. Clair of Whitehall, second, and Peter Levesque of Adams, third.

In men's Stock 2, Harold Keefner of Elnora, N.Y., took first; Conrad Coon of Ghent, N.Y., second, and Tim Callahan of New Lebanon, N.Y., third.

Keefner also won men's Stock 2 and St. Clair took second.

Cormier won men's Stock 3, Jack B. Clark of Schenectady was second, and William Marpinex of Vergennes, Vt., was third.

In men's Stock 4, Tom Bain of Greenwich, N.Y., was winner, Michael Rhodes of Rock City Falls, N.Y., second and Arthur Little of Saratoga third.

Superstock events

Men's Superstock 1 was won by Richard McKnight of Lanesboro, with Mel Walsh of Lenox Dale second.

Cormier took first in men's Superstock 2, followed by David Demick and Ed Potash, both of Pittsfield.

Robin Anderson of New Ashford won men's Superstock 3.

FEB 17 1973 City ski event to be held today at State Forest

A total of 105 entries has been received for the City Ski Meet today at the Pittsfield State Forest, according to Robert E. Cartier, chairman of the event for the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation. The race is scheduled to get underway close to 9:30 a.m. in the Lulu Cascade area of the State Forest.

The morning race will be a slalom. A special slalom will be held in the afternoon. In order to be eligible for the trophies presented a skier must participate in both the morning and afternoon races.

Soup and cocoa will be available for the skiers in the lodge between races.

This is one of the events of the 28th annual Winter Carnival.

John Skumin of Lanesboro, second, and David Schwab of Lee, third. Dean Munson of Fort Edward, N.Y., won men's Superstock 4.

In Sunday's expert races, Sam Little was first in stock 1,2,3 and 4. In the first class, Tom Bena was second and Shane St. Claire, third; in Stock 2, Harold Keefner was second and Stephen Yaw, third; in Stock 3, Keefner was second and Leo Cormier, third; and in Stock 4, D. Belden was second and R. Pelletier, third.

Bena was also first in Superstock 1, followed by Tom McMore and George Ladobouche. Keefner took first in Superstock 2, Thomas Cunningham was second and Richard Pratt, third. Keefner was also first in Superstock 3, followed by McMore and Ray Quackenbush. Leo Dewey was the winner of Superstock 4, McMore was second and Bill Hathaway third.

In the Modified 1 class, Jack Cottrell was first, C. Van Guild-er second and Leo Dewey, third; in Modified 2, Van Guild-er was first, Cottrell second and Don Lambert third.

Al Mammone won both modified 3 and 4 and Gerard LeClair was third in both those classes. Ed Leahy was second in Modified 3, and James Ogle was second in Modified 4.

City sled race applications open

Late applications will be accepted through 1:30 p.m. Sunday at Clapp Park for the annual city sled races, according to Edward N. O'Hearn, chairman of this event for the Park Department.

Children planning to enter must have parent's signature on their applications before they will be allowed to participate.

Children through 12 years of age are eligible to participate. All participants are requested to be at Clapp Park by 1:30. Starting time for the event is 2 p.m.

In addition to the awards presented to the winners of the various age divisions, a special award will be made to the school having the most entrants taking part.

In case a postponement is necessary, notification will be made over local radio stations Sunday morning.

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TWO COMPETITORS of the 162 who took part in the Pittsfield Winter Carnival snowmobile races take a lap around the track set up at Pontoosuc Lake Saturday and Sunday. The Park Department reported a total of

3,000 spectators during the Saturday and Sunday races. Frigid weather kept some in their cars. Another event was the tug of war in which a team from Pittsfield High School beat the other local high schools.

3,000 spectators watch snowmobiles race on lake

An estimated 3,000 spectators witnessed the two-day snowmobile races on Pontoosuc Lake Saturday and Sunday. They were held in conjunction with the 28th winter carnival sponsored by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

A total of 162 drivers participated in the races, 60 amateurs and 102 experts. Trophies were presented to Saturday's winners, the amateurs, by winter carnival queen Karen Freeman. Cash prizes will be awarded to the winners of Sunday's expert classes.

Pittsfield High School was the winner of Sunday's "tug on snow" with Taconic High and St. Joseph's High. Tug director was John Moynahan.

First-place winners

A complete list of race winners will be published in The Eagle later this week. Here are the first-prize winners of Sunday's expert races:

—Sam Little took first place in all four stock races for snowmobiles with these displacements: 0-295, 296-345, 346-400 and 401-440 cc.

—Tom Bena won the superstock 1 — 0-295cc class.

—Harold Keefner took first in both the superstock 2 and 3 — 296-345 and 346-400 cc — classes.

—Leo Dewey won superstock 4, 401-440 cc.

—Winners of the modified classes were Jack Cottrell, 0-295 cc; C. Van Guilder, 296-345 cc and Al Mammone, 346-440 cc and 441-over.

The races caused traffic congestion both days on Route 7. Pittsfield police had trouble keeping cars moving along the highway which was one of the best vantage points for the races, held on the south end of the lake.

The races also attracted to the lake various types of internal combustion machines other than snowmobiles, including cars, motorcycles and minibikes.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry were chairmen of the weekend events.

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'Hot-dog race' set Tuesday for student skiers

The Winter Sports Committee is conducting a new event during the school vacation for participants in the city Department of Parks and Recreation's learn-to-ski program. The event is the learn-to-ski "hot-dog race," and it will be run on an easy slalom course on the East Slope at the Bousquet Ski Area.

The race is set to get under way at 8 a.m. Tuesday and is designed to give the new skiers an introduction into the techniques of ski racing. Winter Sports Committee officials said the term "hot dog" does not imply the "hot dog" style of skiing which is in vogue now, but is being used because hot dogs and cocoa will be served to the racers following the race. Cosponsoring this event with the Winter Sports Committee are Wohrles, Inc., and Dreikorn Bakery, Inc., which are providing hot dogs and rolls.

Four groups

Participating boys and girls will be divided into four age groups: 6-7, 8-10, 11-13 and 14 and over. In each division, members of the beginner series will be scored against other beginners and members of the advanced classes will be competing with other advanced members. All participants will receive a hot-dog race patch for participating. Ribbons will also be presented to the first three finishers in each division.

On Monday at 7 p.m. a pre-race meeting is scheduled at North Junior High School. Registration for the race will be held, and participants may talk with experienced skiers and racers, such as PHS ski coach Terry Goodrich, about racing procedures. Movies on skiing will be shown. Both prospective racers and members of their families are invited.

Chairing the hot-dog race are Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry.

Winter sports board aids ski competitors

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee voted Wednesday to appropriate \$10 each to eight area youngsters who are participating this weekend in the Eastern Regional Ski Championships at the Berkshire East Ski Area in Charlemont.

Receiving assistance from the committee are Lois Atherton, Greg Bailey, Billy Lyon, Jeff Lyon and Jeff McFadyen, all of Lenox; Laurie Monico of Dalton; and Rick Shipton and Richy Wright, both of Lanesboro.

Blanks ready for city ski meet

Application blanks for the 25th annual city ski meet are available at the Department of Parks and Recreation and at local sporting goods stores. Robert E. Cartier, chairman, announced today.

The meet is scheduled for Saturday at the Pittsfield State Forest, and is open to junior skiers, aged 6 to 17, from area towns. There will be two courses for this race; a slalom will be run in the morning and a special slalom in the afternoon.

Deadline for filing entries is Thursday afternoon at 3.

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EAGLE AWARD WINNER Susan Hartwell, right, is shown with winter carnival queen Karen Freeman following the city championship ski meet yesterday. Susan won the title in the 9 to 11-year-old girls' class.

Susan Hartwell wins Eagle award in city ski meet

A field of 80 competitors braved the cold weather Saturday to participate in the annual city ski meet, part of the 28th annual winter carnival activities sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation. The meet, held in the Pittsfield State Forest, consisted of a slalom and special slalom for all age divisions.

Ribbons were presented to the first three finishers in each event, and trophies to the combined winners for each age category. Trophies and special awards went to the following: Girls 6-8, Leona Wetherell; boys 6-8, Eric Voelker; girls 9-11, Susan Hartwell; boys 9-11, Craig Voelker; girls 12-14, Bonnie Lyon; boys 12-14, Steve Maynard; girls 15-17, Mary Bligh

Quigley; boys 15-17, Terry Wetherell and Bobby Cartier.

The Berkshire Eagle award, which goes to the skier who wins his or her class by the largest margin, was presented this year to Susan Hartwell. For the boys 15-17 age division, which is not eligible for the Eagle award, the prize for the fastest time of the day was divided between Terry Wetherell and Bobby Cartier, who were tied.

Winners were:

SLALOM
GIRLS 6-8
Leslie Wetherell — DSQ — 58.45
Leona Wetherell 73.88
Debbie Hadden 113.22

BOYS 6-8
Eric Voelker 40.64
David Hadden — DSQ — 89.47
Gregory Donahue 142.94

GIRLS 9-11
Susan Hartwell 28.66
Joyce Latimer 32.67
Caroline Condon 36.15

SLALOM
BOYS 9-11
Craig Voelker 29.14
Rickey Latimer 29.85
Mark McInerney 33.21

GIRLS 12-14
Bonnie Lyon 28.77
Ginger Jenks 29.06
Mary Beth Voll 30.09

BOYS 12-14
Steven Maynard 26.06
John Donovan 27.41
Gary Chapman 27.52

SLALOM
GIRLS 15-17
Mary Bligh Quigley 31.69
Nancy Pierro 33.33
Jolene Kerr 35.03

BOYS 15-17
Bobby Cartier 24.88
Douglas Wright 24.91
Terry Wetherell 24.96

SPECIAL SLALOM
GIRLS 6-8
Leslie Wetherell — DSQ — 41.04
Debbie Hadden 50.49
Leona Wetherell 53.13

BOYS 6-8
Eric Voelker 29.71
Gregory Donahue 34.90
David Hadden 39.01

GIRLS 9-11
Susan Hartwell 22.68
Joyce Latimer 25.88
Caroline Condon 27.17

BOYS 9-11
Craig Voelker 23.19
Jim Cobb 24.60
Rickey Latimer 24.71

GIRLS 12-14
Bonnie Lyon 21.78
Ginger Jenks 23.02
Mary Beth Voll 25.26

SPECIAL SLALOM
BOYS 12-14
Steven Maynard 21.08
Gary Ettinger 21.88
Gary Chapman 22.03

GIRLS 15-17
Brigid Makes 23.60
Mary Bligh Quigley 23.93
Nancy Pierro 25.11

BOYS 15-17
Dale Maynard 20.61
Terry Wetherell 20.54
Bobby Cartier 20.72



SURPRISE VISITOR at yesterday's learn-to-ski race was a 6-foot hot dog on skis. The unusual sporting figure went through the slalom with skill and verve.

Warren Fowler

Learn-to-ski 'hot-dog race' attracts 82 participants

Eighty-two children participated in the learn-to-ski "hot-dog race" sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee on the east slope at Bousquet ski area. A surprise guest made his first public appearance for the hot-dog race to be the forerunner for the new racers. Mr. Hot Dog, a 6-foot hot dog in a roll, constructed for Wohrle's for this event, skillfully executed all the slalom gates as he made his way down the course to the cheers and applause of racers and spectators alike. Wohrle's and Dreikorn's Bakery sponsored this event.

Categories for boys and girls were divided according to age and program — beginner or advanced. Ribbons were presented to the first three finishers in each class. All participants received hot-dog ski patches just for trying.

Ribbon winners

Ribbon winners in order of finish, were: Girls 6-7, beginners — Pam Archey, Nancy Baran. Boys 6-7, beginners — Ted Mottor, Kenneth Radigan. Boys 6-7, advanced — Eddie

Carey. Girls 8-10, beginners — Paula Kahn, Lynne Kahn, Michelle White. Boys 8-10, beginners — Patrick McGowan, Ricky Langlois, Peter Placido. Girls 8-10, advanced — Nancy Matthews, Patricia Kuncie, Kathy Carey. Boys 8-10, advanced — Christopher Storie, Michael Barry, Steven Moynahan. Girls 11-13, beginners — Joan Driscoll, Gretchen Senger. Boys 11-13, beginners — John Stocki, Alison Kazura. Girls 11-13, advanced — Jean McNeil, Christine Tagliente, Callie Brinn. Boys 11-13, advanced — Chris Kurber, Jay Abair, Daniel Tagliente. Girls 14 and over, beginners — Joanne Stocki. Girls 14 and over, advanced — Anne Tagliente, Nicole Abair, Judy Snyder. Boys 14 and over, advanced — Christopher Brinn, Mark Kuber, David Komlosi.

The fastest time of the day for the new racers was 32.2 seconds, credited to Christopher Brinn in the 14-and-over advanced program.

Chairmen for this event for the Winter Sports Committee were Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry.

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WITH CARNIVAL QUEEN Karen M. Freeman, winners in the annual city sled races pose after the event. From left, they are, Carol Larrivee, Richard Bra-

zeau, Cathie Biagini, Greg Taikowski, Miss Freeman, Diane Carmon, Billy Mason, Dolores Biagini, John Bartow. At rear is Edward O'Hearn, who was chairman of races.

Winners listed for sled races

Forty-seven children participated in the city sled races Sunday at Clapp Park as part of the 28th annual winter carnival activities sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Edward O'Hearn was the chairman.

First-place winners in each division were presented trophies; second- and third-place finishers received ribbons.

Winners of first, second and third places in the various events were as follows, except for the first girls' event, in which there was no third-place winner:

Midget girls 5 and under — Carol Larrivee, Erika Adserballe.

Midget boys 5 and under — Richard Brazeau, Brian Lee, Paul Ferdyn.

Junior girls 6 and 7 years — Cathie Biagini, Karen Bartow, Christine Larrivee.

Junior boys 6 and 7 years — Greg Taikowski, Michael White Jr., Stephen Rammrath.

Intermediate girls 8, 9, and 10 years — Diane Carmon, Claudia Glockner, Debbie Krupka.

Intermediate boys — Billy Mason, Mark Milne, Bradley Baise.

Senior girls 11 and 12 years — Dolores Biagini, Rebecca Flynn, Julie Ellis.

Senior boys — John Bartow, Craig Milne, and tied for third, Peter Krupka Jr. and David Carmon.

Receiving the award for the school with the most participants in the races this year was Redfield.

Officials are listed for meet

Officials have been announced for next weekend's Pittsfield indoor speed-skating championships sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, according to meet chairman Carl E. Peaslee.

They are: Registrars, Mrs. Peaslee, Mary T. Smith and Andrea Snell; clerks of course, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas P. Ryan, Lenox; starters, David Roche, Richmond Hills, N.Y., Philip Jankiewicz, Yorkville, N.Y., and Robert Ahrendtsen, New Hartford, N.Y.; referees, John Byrne, Syracuse, N.Y., William Cooney, the Bronx, N.Y., Donald Beam, Binghamton, N.Y., Alex Goguen; judges, E. Barnes Dunlap, Saratoga Springs, N.Y., Frank Dick, J. Paul Graham, Utica, N.Y., Walter Gavry, Fort Johnson, N.Y., Robert Deloye, Vincent Hebert, James Farry, William Hughes, the Bronx, Frank Paciarillo, Wading River, N.Y., John Egan, Brooklyn, N.Y., Karen Kearney, Chatham, N.J., Doris Patnode, Lake Placid, N.Y.; timers, Hazel Spencer, Betty Purdy, Saratoga Springs, Rita Gavry, Fort Johnson, Virginia O'Brien, Ballston Spa, N.Y., Charles Ambrosetti, Newburgh, N.Y., Mildred Egan, Brooklyn; scorers, Mrs. Peaslee, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Roche; announcers, Alan Eccleston, Round Lake, N.Y., Ahrendtsen; first aid, Mary Miraglia; results, Kathy Jones; medal awards, Brenda Deloye; parking, Herbert Jones; properties, Mario Tassinari and Albert Solera.

The meet will be held at the Wilde Sports Center at Borden-town/Lenox School Saturday at 1 p.m. and Sunday starting at 11:30 a.m. It is part of Pittsfield's 28th annual winter carnival.

Complimentary admission tickets are available at the Park Department office.

FEB 22 1973 Holiday Inn headquarters for meet

The Holiday Inn in Lenox will be headquarters for the city championship indoor skating meet, which will be held at the Wilde Sports Center in Lenox Saturday, chairman Carl E. Peaslee announced today.

Entries have been received from throughout New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Jersey, Canada and Maryland.

The event is sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation. It will be part of the 28th annual winter carnival.

Races will start Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m. and Sunday morning at 11:30.

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Nordic ski meet is canceled for 1973

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee's Nordic ski meet will not be held this year.

The event has been postponed twice because of poor snow conditions, and the committee has decided to cancel it. The decision came after John Unwin, chairman, said it would be difficult to find open dates at the Pittsfield State Forest, where the meet was to be held.

The committee has appropriated \$40 for Al Asher of Pittsfield High School, winner of the Berkshire interscholastic cross-country event, to cover expenses of participating in the New England interscholastic ski meet in Lyndonville, Vt.

Next meeting of the committee will be at the Department of Parks and Recreation's Spring-side House on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

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DIVISION WINNERS in the city ski meet conducted Saturday at Pittsfield State Forest display trophies presented them by winter carnival queen Karen Freeman, third from left in the front row. The winning skiers are, left to right: front row, Bonny Lyon, Leona Wetherell,

Susan Hartwell and Eric Voelker; second row, Steve Maynard, Terry Wetherell, Bobby Cartier, Mary Bligh Quigley and Craig Voelker. Robert Cartier, chairman of the meet, is to the right of the front row. The meet is just one event on the annual winter carnival schedule.

Mark Mitchell

170 skaters enter Parks Dept. meet

LENOX—More than 170 entries, including eight from the Pittsfield Parks Speed skating club, have been received for the Pittsfield Indoor Speed Skating Championships today and tomorrow at the Wilde Sports Center of Borden-town-Lenox School.

Competition begins today at 1 p.m., and tomorrow, at 11:30 a.m.

The meet, open to all registered speed skaters in the United States and Canada, includes seven members of the Ste. Foy Club of Quebec, according to meet chairman Carl E. Peaslee. The event is sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Pittsfield club members competing are Kathy Brown, pee wee girl; Joanne Farry, intermediate girl; Jimmy Brown and John Miraglia, pony boys; Kurt Hospot, juvenile boy; Bruce Flocken, junior boy, and George Betti and David Izzo, senior men.

The meet is sanctioned by the Northern New York Skating Association of the Amateur Skating Union of the U.S. Admission is free.

FEB 24 1973

10 Years Ago

Thomas F. Plunkett Jr. of Pittsfield, vice president of the First Agricultural National Bank, was appointed treasurer of the 1963 Easter Seal campaign of the Bay State Society for the Crippled and Handicapped. Mr. Plunkett had been treasurer of the drive every year since 1958.

The 1962-63 Winter Carnival was more successful financially than the one the year before, it was announced at the annual banquet of the Park Department's winter sports committee. Approximately 40 persons attended the event held at Eastover in Lenox. Ernest M. Manns was chairman and master of ceremonies. FEB 26 1973

Local youngsters make 3-state skiing team

After a series of seven qualifying races, the Class 3 and Tri-State ski team, 13 years old and younger has been selected to compete in the United States Eastern Amateur Ski Association's junior regional championships March 3-4 at Pleasant Mountain in Bridgton, Maine. Maine, New Hampshire and the Tri-State area will each send a team of 15 top boys and eight girls.

Nine county youngsters have been named to the Tri-State squad: Bonny Lyon, John Kirby, John Ogle, Brian Prindle, Steve McDermott and John Koch, all of Pittsfield; Dana Wright of Lanesboro, and Suzanne Voll and Scot Billings of Dalton.

At the conclusion of the regional championships, a team of the best 20 boys and 12 girls will be selected to compete on March 17-18 in the 3 and 4 Eastern championships in Stowe, Vt.

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FEB 28 1973 5 local boys earn shot at East ski team

Jeffrey MacFadyen of Lenox, Greg Bailey of Lanesboro and Pittsfield's Richard Shipton and Jeff and Bill Lyon will be skiing in the U.S. Eastern Amateur Ski Association championships next week at West and Gore mountains in New York.

The five local boys earned the right to participate in the meet by successfully competing with 83 other 14-18-year-olds from Massachusetts, Maine and New Hampshire last week.

The Eastern championships will constitute two slaloms Sunday and two giant slaloms Monday at West Mountain, to be followed by a nonstop pre-run for downhill Wednesday, both at Gore.

A team of nine boys will be picked to represent the East at the Junior Nationals to be held at Crystal Mountain, Wash., March 11-16.

MAR 9 1973 Lyon boys, Shipton roar in East ski

Skiing for Tri-State, Bill Lyon, Jeff Lyon and Rick Shipton placed well in the Eastern Juniors Alpine championship held this week.

The slalom and giant slalom courses were held at the West Mountain, Glens Falls, N.Y., and the Downhill courses were at Gore Mountain, North Creek, N.Y. Represented at the meet were 100 racers from New England, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

For Tri-State Bill Lyon placed first, Shipton, second, and Jeff Lyon third. The Lyon boys are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. William Lyon of Waubeek Road. They attend Taconic High School. Shipton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Shipton, 953 West Street. He is a sophomore at Holderness School, Plymouth New Hampshire.

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Winter sports board votes expense funds for skaters, skiers

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee voted Wednesday to give financial aid to local skaters, ski racers and ski free-stylers who have participated in or will be participating in regional or national events in their specialties. The money is to be used to help defray some of their expenses.

Five members of the Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating Club who attended the National Indoor meet last weekend in Hicksville, L.I., will each receive \$25. They are Joanne Farry, Bruce Flocken, Kurt Hospot, John Miraglia and Jim Brown.

Members of the Jiminy Peak demonstration team who attended the National Exhibition meet in Waterville Valley, N.H., will each receive \$25. They are Scott Murdock, John Stinson, Rich Tuggey and Tom Tuggey. John Stinson and Scott Murdock also will receive \$25 each to assist with their expenses for the National Master's meet next weekend in Cranmore, N.H.

Five skiers received \$50 each toward expenses incurred for the Eastern United States Amateur Championships recently at West and Gore mountains in New York. They are Jeff MacFadyen, Greg Bailey, Rick Shipton, Billy Lyon and Jeff Lyon.

Nine skiers received \$25 each toward their expenses for the Junior Regionals held recently at Pleasant Mountain in Bridgton, Maine. They are Bonnie Lyon, John Kirby, John Ogle, Brian Prindle, Steve McDermott, John Koch, Dana Wright, Susie Voll and Scott Billings.

The committee will meet again Wednesday, March 21, at 7:30 p.m.

MAR 14 1973 Ellen Post wins national title at Waterville

Ellen Post placed first in the girls' division and her twin sister, Marion, tied for second with Dianne Boyer of Stratton Mountain, Vt., in the National and Eastern Junior championships of exhibition skiing at Waterville Valley, N.H., last weekend. The twins ski out of Jiminy Peak.

More than 100 young skiers up to 18 years old competed in the two day event.

Peter Muttly of Waterville won the boys' division.

Todd Friends of Jiminy placed third in the age 12 and 13 boys' division, and Rick Tuggey, also of Jiminy, was third in the 11-and-younger group.

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PPSSC CHAMPION Joanne Farry flashes on her way to victory in the intermediate girls' three-quarter mile race in the Pittsfield indoor championships at Wilde Sports Center. She also was first in the 440 and 880 events. The eighth annual run as part of the winter carnival, had a record field of 154 entrants.

Mark Mitchell

Joanne Farry winner of division trophy

LENEX—Joanne Farry of the woman Carole Moore of Flush-Pittsfield Parks Speed Skating ing, L.L.; intermediate boy Club won the championship trophy in the intermediate girls' division in the eighth annual Quebec, Canada; junior girl championships conducted at the Wilde Sports Center over the weekend. The St. Joseph's High senior was first in the 440, 880 and in the three-quarter mile. Other division champions were senior man Jack Walters of Lake Placid, N.Y.; senior

New records

Two Northern New York Association records were broken in the meet by senior man Walters, a 1972 Olympic skater. His time of 40.7 bettered the previous mark of 40.8 set in the Pittsfield meet in 1967 by Ed Yoemans. Walters raced the mile in 2:54 to beat ex-Olympian John Wurster's record of 3:05.5 established at Lake Placid in 1970.

Other point winners for the Club were juvenile boy, Kurt Hospat, second in the 880, fourth in the 220 and third in the 440; junior boy Bruce Flocken, fourth in the 440 and three-quarter-mile, and third in the 880; pony boy John Miraglia, third in the 440 and first in the 220 and 330; pony boy Jimmy Brown, fourth in the 440 and the 330 and second in the 220.

The meet this year had a record field of 154 skaters. Between 500 to 600 spectators were present Saturday and yesterday.

MAR 19 1973 Skating party will climax Winter Carnival

The 28th annual Pittsfield Winter Carnival will climax Sunday with an old-fashioned skating party from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Wilde Sports Center at Bordentown/Lenox School, Lenox.

The Woodlawn Skating Club is overseeing the event with the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Mrs. J. G. Ausman Jr., chairman, said that in an effort to attract more participants in costume this year, additional prizes will be awarded in several categories.

First- and second-place awards will be made for best authentic old-fashioned outfit; most humorous costume, most original and most ugly.

The skating party is open to the public at no cost and is geared to all levels of skaters. Participants do not have to come in costume, Mrs. Ausman said.

Sports board votes more aid to athletes

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee voted additional financial support Wednesday for skiers on the Bousquet demonstration team who participated recently in national events.

Receiving \$25 each toward expenses incurred at the national exhibition meet in Waterville Valley, N.H., are Susan Ryan, Gary Chapman, Diane Dery and Lisa and Lynn Angelini. Also, receiving \$25 each toward expenses for the national masters meet in Cranmore, N.H., are Deborah Moore, Kim Hallock, Gwen Wayne, Lynn Angelini, Chapman and Jane and John Koenitzer.

The committee voted to give \$300 to the Boys' Club hockey program for the purchase of new equipment.

Mrs. William Lyon has been named chairman of the committee's annual banquet, which is scheduled for Friday, April 6, at the Lenox House.

The committee will meet again Wednesday, April 4, when election of officers will take place.

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Woodland Club ending season

The Woodland Skating Club concludes its skating season this Sunday with its noon session at the Boys' Club rink and its late afternoon session at the Bordentown/Lenox School rink.

Woodland will host two skating events during the Bordentown/Lenox session. The first to be from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. will be a demonstration of basic skating skills during which the novice skaters of the club will demonstrate the skating skills they have mastered during the season. A short recital of skating programs will follow. Mrs. Daniel Secunda and Mrs. Aldo Manfredo are committee chairmen for this event.

Starting at 5:30 and continuing until 7:00 p.m. the Winter Sports Committee of the Pittsfield Parks Department will hold its annual old-fashioned skating party, with the club co-operating as host. This has become one of the highlights of the Winter Carnival. Mrs. J.G. Ausman is chairman of this event.

Family skating party ends Winter Carnival

State Rep. Dennis J. Duffin of Lenox, City Council President John F. Fraser of Pittsfield and Mrs. Marius Fuselier of Pittsfield will judge the costumes in tomorrow's old fashioned family skating party in Lenox.

It will be held from 5:30 to 7 at the Wilde Sports Center at Bordentown/Lenox School and is the concluding event of Pittsfield's 28th Winter Carnival. The party is being conducted by the Woodland Skating Club.

Prizes will be given in these categories: Best authentic old-fashioned costume, best "new" old-fashioned costume, most humorous, most original, and ugliest.

The skating party is open to the public and is free. The Winter Sports Committee says that even though costume prizes are being awarded, participants don't have to wear them.

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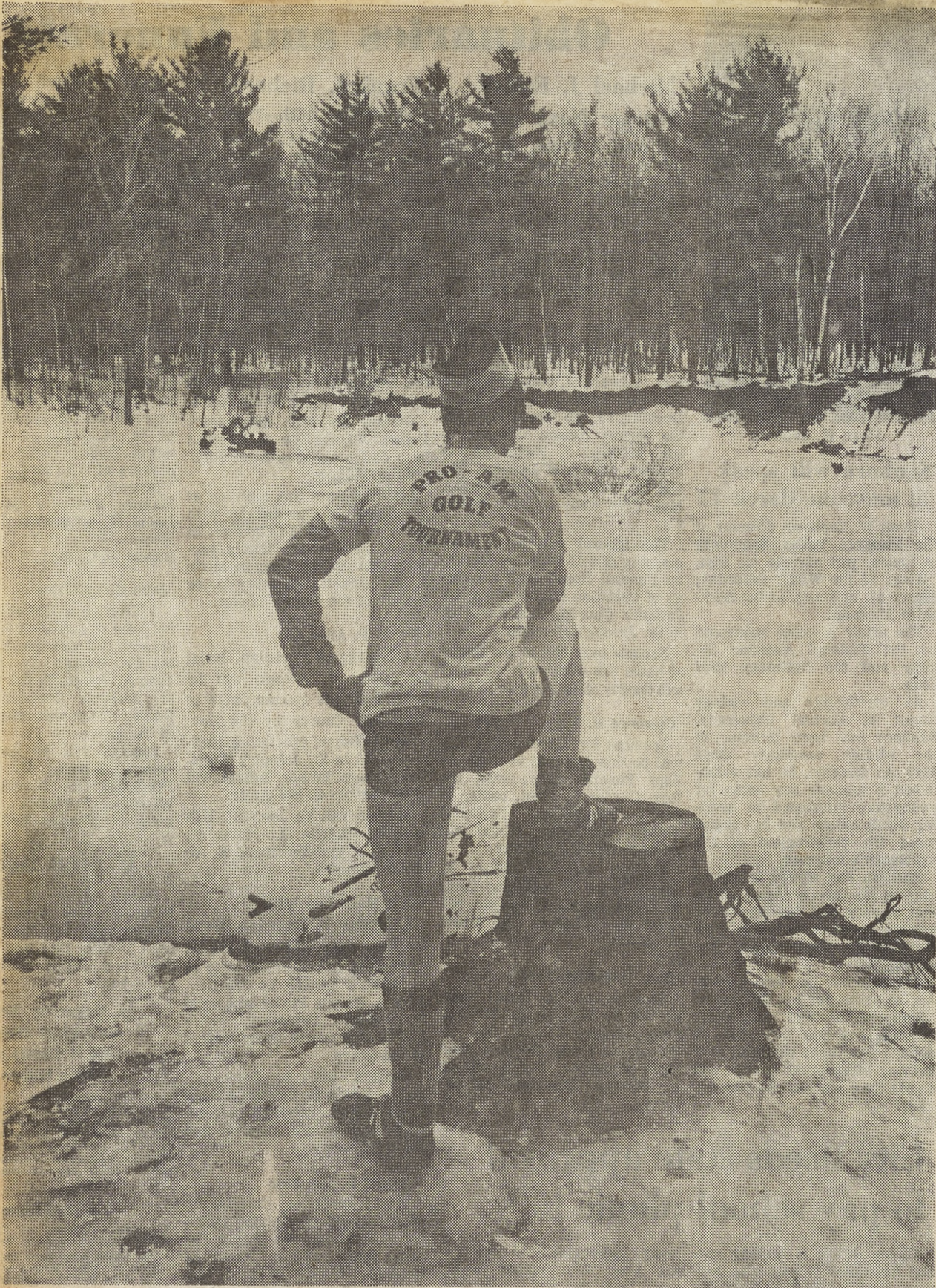
APR 6 1973 Winter sports board elects Robert Cartier

Robert E. Cartier of 15 Wau-beek Road has been elected chairman of the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Cartier succeeds Raymond A. Hospat. Other officers elected were Willard Bridgman, vice chairman; Mrs. Herbert M. Jones, secretary; Mrs. Ida Fosty, treasurer, and Miss Andrea G. Snell, historian.

The slate was recommended by the nominating committee of chairman, Roger Sloper, Carl Peaslee and Mrs. Eleanor Wilde.

The committee concludes its season tonight at 7 at the Lenox House with its annual banquet.



ANTICIPATION of warmer, drier sports to come is suggested by the garb and stance of a pensive cross country racer contemplating the scene during the recent Berkshire Interscholastics at Pittsfield State Forest.

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Mary Davis to wed Mr. Puntin



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Mary Ellen Davis

Miss Mary Ellen Davis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Davis Jr. of Cummington, will be married today to William Louis Puntin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Attilio Puntin of 55 Pembroke Ave.

The Rev. Charles E. McEwan and the Rev. Louis Zuliani will officiate at the 11 o'clock ceremony in All Souls' Church. A reception will follow at the Italian-American Club.

The bride will wear a satin and lace gown which was her mother's, made originally by the bride's grandmother. A pill-box headpiece will hold her lace-edged veil. She will carry red and white carnations, baby's breath and ivy.

Mrs. E. James Drake Jr. will be matron of honor for her sister, Mrs. David F. Robb Jr., another sister, Mrs. Donald A. Puntin and Mrs. Timothy Puntin will be bridesmaids. The matron of honor will wear a white dotted swiss and sheer gown. The bridesmaids will wear similar gowns of rose sheer. They will all carry red and white carnations, daisies, baby's breath and ivy.

Donald A. Puntin will be best man for his brother, Mr. Drake, Mr. Robb and Timothy Puntin, another brother, will usher. Brian and Tony Puntin will be pages.

After a tour of New England, the couple will live at 28 Allesio St.

The bride is a graduate of Waconah Regional High School. She was employed by Berkshire Life Insurance Co.

Mr. Puntin, a graduate of Pittsfield High School, is an assembler for Jones Division of Beloit Corp. He served in the Army for three years, including one year in Vietnam.

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Darlene Love

Darlene Love, Lawrence Sorel nuptials at 11

Miss Darlene Elissa Love, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Pomeroy of 231 Highland Ave., will be married today to Lawrence Joseph Sorel Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Sorel of Westfield. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Desmond reside in Anaheim, Calif.

The Rev. Daniel Gill and the Rev. John Hathaway will officiate at the 11 o'clock ceremony in St. Charles' Church. A reception will follow at the GEAA Clubhouse.

The bride, who will be escorted by her grandfather will wear a gown of silk organza over satin-backed crepe which she designed and her grandmother made. The gown is appliqued with lace flowers and accented with pink satin. A matching Juliet headpiece of crepe with a pink satin bow will hold her mantilla. She will carry carnations, pink roses and stephanotis.

Miss Mary Laurin will be maid of honor. The Misses Carolyn Hall, Kim Pomeroy and Kathy Aspden will be bridesmaids, and Pamela Pomeroy will be flower girl. The maid of honor will wear a pink chiffon over taffeta gown. The bridesmaids and flower girl will wear similar gowns of aqua, orchid, green and yellow. They will carry garden baskets of carnations, roses and pompons to match their gowns.

Michael Gallagher will be best man. Michael DiPietro, Joseph Tiroletto and Mark Aspden will usher.

After a trip to the Pocono Mountains, Pa., the couple will live at 20 McKinley Ter., Westfield, after June 25.

The bride, a graduate of Pittsfield High School, is a senior clerk-typist and telephone operator for the City of Pittsfield.

Mr. Sorel, a graduate of Taconic High School, is a junior at Holy Cross College, Worcester.



Mark Mitchell

UGLIEST COSTUME at the Winter Carnival's Old-Fashioned Skating Party was worn by City Councilman Robert F. Jakubowicz, in the opinion of the judges. Not scared by the sinister-looking figure in cape is Maryann Jakubowicz, 3, in foreground.

Carnival closes with family skating party

Approximately 100 people participated in the "Old Fashioned Family Skating Party" last night at the Bordentown/Lenox rink as the final event of the 28th annual Winter Carnival sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Both Children and adults dressed in a variety of costumes participated and joined in the grand march led by Carnival queen Karen Freeman and skating professional Patrick Dean. Costume judging by Rep. Dennis Duffin, Councilman John Fraser and Mrs. Marius Fuselier followed the march. Costume prizes were awarded to the following:

Best authentic old fashioned costume — Mr. and Mrs. John Talbot of Richmond, Elizabeth Arienti and Cecelia Arienti.

Best New old fashioned costume — Mrs. Judy Salinetti and Lisa and Terri Salinetti; Lauri Macgee and the Peter Franz family.

Most humorous — Catherine Tivy and Sandra Knight, Gail Marchetto and Chris and Matthew Tivy.

Most ugly — Councilman Robert F. Jakubowicz.

Most original — Karen Homa, Kathleen White, Ann Kergaravat, Diane Homa, Ann and Mary Jeanne Langlais.

Group to organize for winter carnival

The Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation will hold its organizational meeting tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at Springside House, 874 North St. Dates and chairmen for various carnival events will be announced at this time.

The volunteer Winter Sports Committee plans and conducts the annual winter carnival here during January and February.

Interested volunteers unable to attend this initial meeting should contact the chairman, Robert E. Cartier of 15 Waubeek Road or the Department of Parks and Recreation offices at 874 North St.

Winter queen event to remain for girls only

By Nick King

Despite controversy and in line with tradition, Pittsfield's Winter Carnival queen contest will remain off limits to boys for at least another year.

The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation voted unanimously last night to retain the all-girl custom.

The vote was in line with a recommendation made by a subcommittee formed last year to study the possibility of liberalizing the entrance requirements for the contest.

Two alternatives — a coed competition and an all-male contest — were rejected as impractical.

Wayne J. Vandergrift of 35 Morewood Drive, chairman of the five-member subcommittee, conceded today that the decision to stick with tradition was not an easy one but, after study, appeared to be most practical.

Cites problem

"One problem with a coed contest would be determining the rationale for selecting the winners," he said.

"In principle," he continued, "it doesn't have to be all girls. But we have to be practical and to get incentive there must be a carrot down the road. The carrot is eligibility for the queen contest and whether boys would see that as incentive to be king, your guess is as good as mine."

"Maybe it's just tradition," Vandergrift said. "But it seems more pleasing when the carnival awards are passed out by a queen than a king."

The impetus for the study, in fact, resulted from interest shown in the competition by a male last year.

Andrew J. Josephs announced he was in the running but the carnival committee promptly informed the 6-foot, 215-pound hopeful that males were not eligible.

'Sexism' charged

The year before, Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy had touched off the carnival controversy by branding the affair sexist and an exploitation of the girls.

"Certainly we don't want to create a disrupting situation," Vandergrift said today. "We are really working for the people of the city and we have had the most response to keep the contest the way it's been."

He was referring to the fact that last year, 775 people signed a petition supporting the all-girl tradition. There were no petitions to the contrary.

Sixteen girls will be eligible for the contest, which starts with the selling of winter carnival buttons. The proceeds are used to finance the Park Department's winter sports program.

Two females, one who chaired the contest last year and the

other a former queen, sit with Vandergrift and two other males on the subcommittee.

"We were accused of exploiting the girls," he recalled. "Well, we don't feel we are. All the rules are understood ahead of time and entering the contest is, of course, voluntary."

"If we receive enough input to the contrary," he added, "we can re-evaluate the rules again."

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PHS boy vows to fight all-girl queen contest

Donald P. Smith, a 15-year-old Pittsfield High School sophomore, said yesterday that he will "fight all the way" the decision to keep the Winter Carnival queen contest a girls-only affair.

"I thought they'd promise to let boys in this year," said Smith, who last year circulated petitions protesting what he said was a discriminatory competition.

Smith said he will "start the petitions all over again."

"And I could always take it to court," he added.

Calling it "a matter of rights," Smith said the contest should be open to either sex. He said he himself is not interested but that other males might be.

Smith, who lives at 92 Second St., has had three sisters who were queen contestants. Last year he gathered some 600 signatures of persons supporting the candidacy of Taconic High student Andrew J. Josephs. Josephs has not said whether he will attempt to enter the contest this year.

On Wednesday night the Winter Carnival Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation voted unanimously to re-



Barbara Van Nice

Donald P. Smith

tain the girls-only tradition.

Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy, who two years ago initiated criticism of that custom, said today, "A contest like that is antiquated and it's only a matter of time before it will be relegated to the past."

In Brief . . .

It's probably too much to hope for, but it would be nice if some Kissinger-type negotiator could help the community avert another dreary and bootless wrangle about admitting boys to the Pittsfield Winter Carnival's queen contest. We'd settle for a brief squabble. But now that reconsideration of the sponsors' girls-only rule has been hinted in case of "enough input to the contrary," civic peace may depend on whether the input gets a putdown.

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Winterfest Cold-Shoulders Boy 'Queens'

By CHRISTOPHER BROOKS
Union Staff

The Winter Sports Committee of the Pittsfield Department of Parks and Recreation acted unanimously Wednesday night to continue the annual Winter Carnival queen contest—without boys.

The contest came under fire last fall from women's liberationists, primarily City Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy. Mrs. Murphy called for an end to the contest because, she said, it was used to raise money for winter carnival activities by exploiting the sex of girls.

The furor climaxed when Andrew J. Josephs, then a 17-year-old senior at Taconic High School, announced he would enter the queen competition. While the carnival committee promptly

rejected the renegade application, it agreed to study possible alternatives to the traditional queen contest.

Josephs argued for a contest culminating in the crowning of a youth representative—male or female—rather than limiting the competition to girls 17-21.

Both Mrs. Murphy and Josephs underwent varying degrees of ridicule in both public and private circles and a subsequent groundswell of public support for the status quo ensured that last year's queen would be crowned as usual.

That emotional citizen support for the queen contest led, in part, to a recommendation that the event be continued without change.

Wayne J. Vandergrift, chairman of



a special subcommittee named to study alternatives to the queen contest, said he has heard no new suggestions and has had no additional male inquiries since the outbreak last November.

He said his committee met a week ago, considered three alternatives and decided to recommend that the contest continue as it has for the last 28 years.

He conceded that the "main purpose of the contest is . . . providing funds for other events in the carnival," Winter carnival button sales by queen contestants last year grossed more than \$500.

Vandergrift said subcommittee members agreed that replacing the queen contest with either a king contest or a coed contest probably would reduce financial benefits of the event.

"How many mothers would want their daughters running for queen if there were boys in it?" asked one committee member.

"How many mothers would want their sons running?" another quickly added, bringing chuckles from the others.

So, at least for another year, the queen contest will go on, limited to girls 17-21 years old, living, working or studying in Pittsfield. An entry maximum of 16 will continue.

This year's contest will open in December, with the new queen to be crowned in February.

Neither Mrs. Murphy nor Josephs was available Wednesday night to comment on the decision.

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In Brief . . .

The girls-only policy of the Winter Carnival queen contest, it seems to us, at best is only tangentially related to anyone's rights and as such isn't big enough to warrant protests on behalf of exploited females or even Male Libbers. It is, to be sure, a sort of symbol of inequity, but a wornout one. Our favorite councilwoman, Ms. Mary Murphy, put it well: "A contest like that is antiquated and it's only a question of time before it will be relegated to the past."

Carnival button contest again planned for pupils

The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that it is again sponsoring a contest among local schoolchildren to design this year's winter carnival button.

The contest is open to grades 1 through 12 with prizes being awarded in four grade divisions: 1-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12. One prize will be awarded for each division, plus a grand prize for the design selected for the button.

Contest rules

Winter Sports Committee officials said children entering the contest should submit a design on paper approximately 9 by 12 inches in size. Only two colors should be used — one for the background and one for the design itself. Children were asked to remember that the design will be reduced on the button to

only 1 1/4 inch in diameter and so they should try and keep it as simple as possible.

The theme should pertain to winter in general, winter sports or the winter carnival. Designs featuring Peanuts characters, smileys or other well-known cartoon figures cannot be used because of copyright problems.

The committee said entries may be brought or mailed to the Department of Parks and Recreation, the Girls Club or the Boys' Club between now and Monday, Oct. 15, at 5 p.m. The child's name, address, phone number, grade and school should be included with each design submitted.

Additional information may be obtained from the Park Department. Chairmen for the event are Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry and Miss Andrea G. Snell.

Winter sports sale will come early

Mrs. Eleanor E. Wilde, chairman of the winter sports equipment sale for the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, reports that the committee is planning to hold its annual sale of used equipment earlier in the season than previously.

The sale is scheduled this year for the weekend of Nov. 9 and 10 instead of the first weekend in December as has been the custom. Mrs. Wilde said people are beginning to participate in winter activities earlier, with ski areas and indoor skating rinks opening in the late fall months, and so the committee thought a date change would be appropriate. The sale's location has not yet been set.

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Applications are now available for winter carnival queen 10-6-73

The Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation today announced that applications are available for the 29th annual Pittsfield Carnival queen contest. Applications may be obtained at the Park Department, 874 North St., and from Mrs. Jean Pizzuto, 27 Morgan St., chairman of the contest.

In order to qualify, female contestants must be single, between the ages of 17 and 21 and either live, work or attend

school in Pittsfield.

Applications may be returned to the Park Department or to Mrs. Pizzuto. The deadline is Friday, Oct. 26, at 5 p.m.

Button design deadline set for Monday

Monday is the deadline for submitting entries for the annual button design contest for the winter carnival, the Department of Parks and Recreation announced today.

Entries must be dropped off by 5 p.m. at the Park Department, 874 North St.; the Girls Club on East Street, or the Boys' Club on Melville Street. Schools having designs to be submitted are asked to contact the Park Department.

The contest is open to local students in Grades 1-12. The grand prize for the winning design will be a \$50 savings bond, with a \$25 bond going to runners-up in Grades 1-3, 4-6, 7-9 and 10-12. A \$25 bond will also be presented to the school with the most entries.

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OCT 17 1973 Queen contest case going to MCAD

Donald P. Smith, the 15-year-old Pittsfield High School student opposing the girls-only aspect of the winter carnival queen contest, plans to take his case to the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination (MCAD).

Smith said today that he has contacted the MCAD's Springfield office and plans to seek an appointment for next week. He said he had called the MCAD's Boston office and was told to contact Springfield.

Smith said he hasn't yet started circulating petitions opposing the queen contest, as he did last year. "I'll start them after the elections," he said, declining to elaborate.

If the MCAD will take no action, "we always have lawyers," the student said.

OCT 25 1973 Scarcity of candidates troubles queen committee

Pittsfield's Winter Carnival queen contest, the object of criticism by women liberationists and unsuccessful male applicants the past two years, is having trouble recruiting female contenders.

Faced with the possibility of having to cancel this year's contest altogether, the Winter Carnival Committee last night took several steps. Among them:

—Extending the original Oct. 26 deadline on candidate applications two weeks to Nov. 9.

—Lowering the original 17-21 age limit one year to 16-21.

One contestant to date

The actions came just one day before the initial deadline and with only one contestant having signed up for the beleaguered contest so far.

Applications are available from the Park Department and from Mrs. Jean Pizzuto of 27 Morgan St., contest chairman.

"Most colleges and other organizations have dropped their queen contests entirely and we may be forced to do the same. We hope not," said carnival chairman Robert Cartier this morning.

Cartier said the lack of contestants reflects the poor publicity and controversy surrounding the contest over the past two years. Two years ago Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy branded the competition "sexist" and last year a male applicant was turned down.

This year Donald P. Smith, a Pittsfield High School soph-

omore, had threatened to contact the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination if the contest were not opened up to males.

Smith joins up

But in one of the few victories for the contest this year, Smith last night attended the carnival committee meeting, said he would join the committee, and promised to drop the discrimination charges.

"We're a volunteer organization and we need all the help we can get," Cartier said. "We asked Don to join us and said we'd be willing to listen to any suggestions he might have for changing the contest. But we decided we might as well work together."

OCT 30 1973 Winter sports sale set for Nov. 9-10

Mrs. Eleanor E. Wilde, chairman of the winter sports equipment sale sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, said today that the sale will be held from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 9, and 10 to 6 on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the former Town 'n Country store in the Allendale Shopping Center.

She said that used winter sports equipment in good condition will be accepted next week at the store but that the committee will not handle the sale of small items such as goggles, ski underwear, mittens, hats, socks and sweaters. She said persons having bindings for sale must mount them on a board.

Persons selling items set their own suggested prices Mrs. Wilde said, adding that committee members are present to assist in establishing prices if necessary. Persons selling articles receive 80 per cent of the price and the Winter Sports Committee receives 20 per cent.

Money raised from this event helps defray the expenses incurred for the more than 20 events that are part of the annual Pittsfield Winter Carnival.

NOV 7 1973 Entrance age is lowered to 16 for Carnival Queen contestants

Age for entering the Winter Carnival Queen Contest has been lowered to 16, according to Mrs. Joan Gattuso, cochairman.

The contest, sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, is open to all single girls from 16 through 21 who live, work or attend school in Pittsfield.

Applications are available from Mrs. Jean Pizzuto of 27 Morgan St., cochairman, and from the parks department office, 874 North St.

To be eligible for the judging, a queen contestant must sell a minimum of 1,000 carnival buttons. The queen and lady-in-waiting are selected at the winter carnival ball by a panel of judges. Contestants are judged on personality, poise, appearance, expression and understanding of the carnival activities.

The contestant accumulating the highest score will become queen. Second highest scorer will become lady-in-waiting. The girl selling the highest number of buttons will receive a special award.

The sale of buttons is a separate contest and has no bearing on the judging. If the highest button seller is selected queen or lady-in-waiting, she will also receive the special award as the highest button seller.

The Winter Carnival Queen Contest and the winter sports equipment sale are the two major money-raising activities of the Winter Sports Committee

which has sponsored the winter carnival for the past 28 years. Last year the committee sponsored 19 events as part of the carnival including a button design contest, and skating meets, ice trials, ice fishing derby, square dance, sled races, a learn to ski "hot dog race" and a family skating party. The cost to run the 19 events and donations to worthy skiers and skaters to enter regional and national competitions was \$9,545.73.

NOV 9 1973 Queen hopefuls are invited to open house

Girls interested in entering the Winter Carnival Queen Contest and their parents are invited to an open house Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Joan Gattuso, 25 McKinley Ter., cochairman.

Seven contestants have enrolled to date, and several applications have yet to be returned.

The contest is sponsored by the Pittsfield Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation. Purpose of the open house is to explain the event and to answer questions.

NOV 12 1973 Winter sports equipment sale raises \$15,500

A total of \$15,500 was grossed at the annual winter sports equipment sale, Mrs. Eleanor E. Wilde, chairman, said today.

The sale, sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation, was held Friday and Saturday at the former Town 'n Country store in Allendale. Nearly 300 articles were sold, Mrs. Wilde said.

Those who brought in articles for sale must pick up their checks and unsold items Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the store, Mrs. Wilde said.

NOV 12 1973 Winner to be named for button design

The winner of the button-design contest for the winter carnival will be announced Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Springside House, 874 North St.

The announcement will come at a public meeting of the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

NOV 13 1973 Queen deadline again extended

The deadline for applications for the winter carnival queen contest has been extended for the second time.

The latest extension allows girls between 16 and 21 until next Friday to apply. The initial extension was from Oct. 26 to last Friday.

Applications for the contest, in which seven girls have enrolled, are available at the Department of Parks and Recreation and from Mrs. Jean Pizzuto of 27 Morgan St., cochairman.

NOV 13 1973 Snowmobile race licensing is questioned

Richard De Milt of Sunrise Street, Lanesboro, has written the City Council challenging that body's authority to license snowmobile races on Pontoosuc Lake in conjunction with the winter carnival.

He said Pontoosuc is a great pond owned by the state, not the city. He called snowmobile races a "nuisance" and asked the Council to consult with the Lanesboro Selectmen before making a decision on the races. Much of Pontoosuc Lake is in Lanesboro.

The Council is expected to set a hearing date when it meets tonight at 7:30 in City Hall.



Mark Mitchell

WINTER SPORTS SALE of city Parks Department began yesterday and will continue today from 10 to 6 at the former Town 'n Country store in Allendale. Mrs. Joseph Malnati of Richmond, above, was one of many who went away laden with gear yesterday. The day's gross sales were about \$4,500.

Carnival button competition is won by Crosby 9th grader



The winning design

Deborah Coon of 26 Cloverdale St. is the winner of the winter carnival button - design contest, it was announced last night.

Miss Coon, a Crosby Junior High 9th grader, will receive a \$50 savings bond for her design of a face covered snugly by a ski cap. Sticking out from under the cap is a bright red nose.

Miss Coon's design placed first in a field of 545 entries in the contest sponsored by the

Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Judith Crane of 389 West St., a Briggs School 2nd grader who won the Grades 1-3 category; Martha Brophy of 219 Dalton Ave., an Allendale School 6th grader and winner of the Grades 4-6 category; Maureen Avallé of 20 Hopewell Drive, a North Junior High 7th grader and winner of the Grades 7-9 category; and Diane Taraskiewicz of 22 Plum St. and winner of the Grades 10-12 category.

Catholic Central Middle School received \$25 for having the most entries, with Briggs and St. Mark's schools running close behind, according to the committee.

Judges of the annual contest were Robert T. Sykes of the Boys' Club, F. Lewis Brown, the YMCA, and Mrs. Edward A. Rubin, Girl's Club.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael W. Henry and Miss Andrea G.



Mark Mitchell

Deborah Coon

Snell were chairmen of the contest. Area businesses donated the prizes.

Snowmobile races on lake OK'd despite opposition

By Richard K. Weil

Despite bitter objections from lake-front residents, the City Council last night granted permission to the Winter Sports Committee to conduct snowmobile races on Pontoosuc Lake Feb. 10.

The vote was 7-4 with Council members Thomas F. Plunkett, Roy F. Brown, Philip J. Tully Jr. and Mary L. Murphy dissenting.

The Winter Sports Committee still must get permission from the County Commissioners and a special permit from the state director of recreational vehicles.

On a motion by Councilman Peter G. Arlos, the Council set five restrictions in an attempt

to ease the concern of local residents. They are:

—That the race course must be at least 500 feet from the shoreline at any point.

—That drivers must have "adequate protection" for their ears, such as earplugs.

—That the races must be "adequately policed" to assure there is no vandalism by spectators or participants.

—That the Winter Sports Committee make "a sincere effort to find an alternate site for the 1975 meet."

Abutters' complaints

Abutters to the lake complained of excessive noise caused by snowmobiles and vandalism by snowmobile operators.

Dr. Christopher J. Mamonas of 68 Ridge Ave. said the snowmobiles on week nights "start at 11 p.m. and go until 5 in the morning." The noise is so loud, he said, that he cannot sleep.

Mamonas, speaking of the noise and excessive vandalism, said he and his wife are considering "taking out permits for a gun."

Craig Karpel of Sunrise Street, Lanesboro, said the races are "a promotion for recreational vehicles of all kinds."

Even though the races are conducted on the Pittsfield side

of the lake, Karpel said the noise carries to the Lanesboro side.

Gas shortage cited

Councilman Tully said the races should be banned because gasoline is in such short supply.

Councilwoman Murphy led the opposition, complaining about noise and vandalism connected with snowmobiles.

"If we're not going to be allowed to drive automobiles on Sundays," said Ms. Murphy, "why should we allow recreational vehicles?"

Proponents of the race said it would be conducted Feb. 10 between 11 a.m. and 3 or 4 p.m. They disavowed any connection with the snowmobilers who commit vandalism.

Representing the Winter Sports Committee were Raymond A. Hospot, Anthony J. Crea and Robert E. Cartier.

Also speaking were Howard A. Robertson and Samuel Sass of the Pittsfield Noise Control Commission. Robertson recommended the 500-foot setback and the use of earplugs.

Those who supplied sports sale items asked to follow up

Persons who have not picked up unsold items or checks for items sold at the city's winter sports equipment sale are asked to do so promptly.

The request came from Mrs. Eleanor E. Wilde, chairman of the sale sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee. She said the checks and articles are at Springside House at 874 North St., the headquarters of the Parks and Recreation Department. She said that in order to claim checks or items, persons must bring along their identifying ticket stubs.

Whether or not the County Commissioners go along with the City Council's decision to allow snowmobile racing Feb. 10 on Pontoosuc Lake is somewhat beside the point. One day's ear-shattering activity on a frozen lake would be a small price to pay if shore residents and others could be granted immunity from the decibel-spouting little monsters the other 364 days of the year. Energy crisis aside, it's time we had a comprehensive year-round policy to curb the ear-pollution of gas-guzzling recreational vehicles. And that is what the County Commissioners should move toward next week when they meet to decide the fate of the Feb. 10 races.

Hours for pickup of sales items

Hours for pickup of sale items not sold at the city's winter sports equipment sale are 9 to 5 Monday to Friday at Springside House, according to chairman Eleanor E. Wilde. Checks for items sold at the sale also may be picked up, she said.

Dozen girls in running for carnival queen

A dozen girls have filed applications for the Winter Carnival Queen contest, it was announced today by Mrs. William S. Pizuto and Mrs. Charles R. Gattuso, cochairmen. The application deadline was Friday.

The contest will officially get under way on Friday evening, Jan. 11, the night of the kick-off dinner when the sale of Winter Carnival buttons will start and the names of the contestants will be revealed.

Each contestant must sell 1,000 buttons to qualify for the judging the night of the Winter Carnival Ball on Feb. 8. Proceeds from the button sales are used for more than 20 events in this year's carnival.

County OK's snowmobile races

The County Commissioners unanimously authorized use of Pontoosuc Lake for the Pittsfield Winter Carnival snowmobile race on Feb. 10.

The vote, taken at noon today, came after an hour-long hearing during which City Councilwoman Mary L. Murphy and Samuel Sass, a member of the Pittsfield Noise Control Commission, opposed the authorization.

Council President John F. Fraser, Winter Carnival Chairman Robert Cartier and race chairman Anthony Crea argued for approval.

Snowmobile-race restrictions

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Some of the comments, and resulting restrictions placed on the coming Winter Carnival snowmobile race are inept, and reek of ignorance on this specific matter.

Restriction 1, that the race course must be at least 500 feet from the shoreline, is unfounded and foolish.

The natural barrier that the elevated shoreline offers is ideal for spectator safety. By moving the event out so far from this vantage point, this safety factor is eliminated, and viewing would be difficult.

Restriction 2, that drivers must have "adequate protection" for their ears, such as earplugs, is a monumental joke. The University of Windsor, in Ontario, Canada, recently presented a preliminary report on noise, and its ACTUAL level at the eardrum. The study

shows that the decibel level, at the eardrum, while skiing downhill, or sailing in a 20-m.p.h. breeze, is above the level standards established by state and federal agencies and is to be considered hazardous. (Skiers and sailors, man your earplugs.)

Restriction 3, that the race must be adequately policed to assure there is no vandalism by spectators or participants is the most regrettable statement I've ever heard regarding such an event. Past races have been policed, and no incidents of vandalism have ever been reported, but the restriction seems to imply that vandalism has been prevalent and uncontrolled.

Unfortunately, most of the quasi-protectors of the public seek notoriety rather than useful, meaningful regulations.

I'm sorry that a handful of little minds can conjure up enough emotionalism in the minds of responsible leaders that they yield to this hysteria.

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Family skating party scheduled Saturday

A family skating party will be sponsored by the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation on Saturday from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m. at the Boys' Club rink.

Mrs. J. G. Ausman of 61 Stonehenge Road is chairman of the event, to be conducted by the Woodland Skating Club as part of the city's 29th winter carnival.

Open to the public, the skating party will begin with a grand march and will include general skating.

Although costumes are not required, the following awards will be presented for those who sport costumes: Best old-fashioned, most humorous, most original and ugliest.

In Brief . . .

Chances for strengthening community efforts to conserve fuel were weakened yesterday when the County Commissioners in an unexpected show of unanimity joined the City Council's majority to clear the way for the Winter Carnival snowmobile race on Pontoosuc Lake. Apparently the only hope for correcting these public misjudgments lies in a prolonged January thaw — or perhaps in action by Lanesboro officials to keep the rickety gas-burners off their town's 267-acre share of the 505-acre lake. Otherwise, the Winter Carnival queen also could win the title of Miss Noisy Energy Waster of 1974.

Francis E. Douglas dies; longtime civic leader

Francis E. Douglas, 63, of 37 Buel St., an active member of General Electric Co., sports and civic clubs, died Saturday afternoon at the Pittsfield General unit, BMC, after a short illness.

Born in Barre, Vt., he was a graduate of Valley Forge Military Academy in Wayne, Pa., and the University of Vermont. He came to Pittsfield as a young man and had worked for the General Electric Co. for the past 37 years.

He was the longest active director of the General Electric Credit Union and was past president and secretary-treasurer of the Quarter Century Club.

For many years he served on the board of directors of the Berkshire County Republican Club and was a recipient of the Republican-of-the-year award. He was a former School Committee member and ward chairman for the Republican party. In 1970, he ran for state representative.

He was an organizer of the first winter carnival ball and sports sale, for which he was known as "Mr. Winter Sports." He was a director of the YMCA, and worked with the CYC and the Boys' Club. In 1953 he received the Knights of Columbus award for "outstanding contributions to the youth of Pittsfield in the field of sports" and, in 1963, the district's citizen award of the Massachusetts Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Mr. Douglas was also active in the founding of the Bobby Kidney Sunshine Club; was a former president of the Exchange Club and on the state Exchange Board; was past president of the Monday Morning Quarterbacks Club; a member of Miss Hall's School fund raising committee; past president of the New York Speed Skating Club and a coach of both the Little League and the Babe Ruth Baseball League. For the past few years he had been a scorekeeper at the Saturday afternoon football games.

Besides his wife, the former Gertrude Hall, he leaves three sons, Curtis H. Douglas of Woodstock, N.Y., Jonathan B. and Timothy M. Douglas, and two daughters, Mrs. R. Karl Heye and Miss Amarylis C. Douglas, all of Pittsfield, his mother, Mrs. Arthur Graves of



Francis E. Douglas

New Britain, Conn., his father, Herman Douglas of Malone, N.Y., and eight grandchildren.

Services will be tomorrow morning at 11 at the South Congregational Church. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Friends may call at the Wellington Funeral Home today from 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m.

DEC 10 1973 65 attend skating club family outing

A total of 65 persons turned out for Saturday's old-fashioned family skating party at the Boys' Club rink.

Mrs. J. G. Ausman was chairman of the event, conducted by the Woodlawn Skating Club of the Winter Sports Committee of the Department of Parks and Recreation. Prizes were awarded for:

—Old-fashioned costume: first place, the Peter B. Franz family; second, Miss Nancy E. Dickinson and Robert F. Jakubowicz.

—Most original costume: first, Miss Charlene S. Homa; second, Miss Amy A. Fletcher.

—Ugliest costume: first, Peter F. Jakubowicz.

—Most humorous costume: first, Carter B. Owen; second, Miss Margaret A. Becker.

—Pretty-cute costume awards: the Misses Ellen Seager, Julie Seager, Joyce Galt and Karen M. Freeman, last year's winter carnival queen.

Costume judges were Mrs. John W. Talbot of Richmond and John J. Pignatelli Jr. of Lenox.

DEC 5 1973 Snowmobile race date changed

The winter carnival snowmobile races scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 10, are being switched to Saturday, Feb. 9, race chairman Anthony J. Crea disclosed today.

The change is being sought because American Amateur

Snowmobile, Inc., (AASC), is urging that weekend races be held on Saturdays only because of the fuel shortage. AASC is sanctioning the winter carnival races on Pontoosuc lake.

"We won't draw as many people on Saturday but we're trying to switch anyway," Crea said today. He said he didn't believe he had to go through the City Council and County Commissioners all over again.

But Council President John F. Fraser said this morning that he "very definitely has to. The permit was issued specifically for Feb. 10. The state requires a public hearing for snowmobile races and we'll have to have another public hearing."

The first hearing on Nov. 19 drew bitter opposition to the races from lake front residents. The City Council granted the race permit on a 7-4 vote. The County Commissioner voted unanimously to grant the permit on Nov. 27.

Crea said if the Saturday permission were not granted, then the Sunday date would be retained.

Ebba J. St. Claire, AASC president, said from Whitehall, N.Y., today that the organization has withdrawn its sanction of Sunday races if Saturday races were also scheduled.

In the case of Pittsfield where the meet was scheduled for Sunday only, he said the Sunday sanction will be retained but that the organization would prefer to have the races on Saturday. President Nixon has urged gas stations to close and gas-consuming activities to be kept

to a minimum on the Sabbath.

St. Claire said about 68 amateur snowmobile meets have either switched or consolidated to Saturdays because of the AASC stance.

In a related development, the U.S. Snowmobile Association, the major sanctioning organization for snowmobile races, has voted not to sanction Sunday races after Jan. 1 and to consolidate three-day races to two. About 250 meets will be affected.

DEC 7 1973 The snowmobile is pictured as a dangerous sex symbol

Snowmobiles last night were portrayed last night as a sex symbol that may reduce sexual drive.

Dr. Christopher Mamonas, a urologist, told the City Council last night that "excessive noise" reportedly "leads to lessened sexual drive and, potentially, impotency."

"We're not only splitting our children's eardrums but equipping them to be nightwatchmen in shieks' harems," the doctor said.

Three opponents

Mamonas was one of three people who spoke in opposition to granting a permit for snowmobile racing on Pontoosuc

Lake Feb. 9. Mamonas lives by the lake. Two people, including incoming Councilman Joseph W. Ryan, spoke in behalf of the races.

The Council approved the permit on a 6-5 vote.

After the meeting, Council President John F. Fraser joked that Mamonas had not changed his support for the races but had persuaded him not to attend.

The physician had also argued that using the lake for snowmobile racing was a "misuse" of a resource.

Gas use defended

Speaking in behalf of the races, Anthony Crea, chairman

of the snowmobile races, said each of the vehicles would burn only four gallons of gasoline or less in a full day of competition.

Therefore, he argued, the vehicles would not really be seriously contributing to the fuel shortage.

Ryan contended that snowmobile opponents had declared "open season" on the races at the last public hearing and were using "devious means" to try to defeat the event.

Voting against the permit were Council members Philip J. Tully Jr., Mary L. Murphy, Henry V. Marchisio, Thomas E. Plunkett and Roy F. Brown.



ICEMAN is working on the Common to make it into a skating area, a process which takes hours and hours of careful spraying.

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Crow seeks rink near Allendale

City Councilman Raymond E. Crow suggests that the former baseball field behind Allendale School be flooded for a skating rink.

He is submitting a petition to the City Council seeking this change. The school is on Connecticut Avenue.

Crow said the field was discontinued as a baseball diamond because it was too wet. "It just sits there idle, because it's low land," he said.

The rink would serve a large section of the east side of the city, the Ward 2 councilman said.

The field is saucer-shaped, so it would form a small pond without installing the type of asphalt curbing that has to be used at rinks like the one at the Common according to Crow.



The January thaw **JAN 18 1973**

Joel Librizzi

The scene is Pittsfield's Common on First Street where pupils from Plunkett School gathered yesterday for their noon recess. With the temperature at a spring-like 52

degrees, the youngsters found the fence pickets convenient for use as a clothes rack for winter hats and mittens. Another warm day is expected tomorrow.

Take your choice

JAN 20 1973



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For no good reason, we prefer Laurie Lefebvre and Ellen Shier, who are upside down, upside down. In other words, Laurie of the long hair is on the right here, but actually she's on the right when she's upside down, if you follow us. Or is it the other way around? Anyway, they enjoyed springlike Wednesday on the Common fence.



SKATING on the Common, on the ice the Pittsfield Park Department creates with hoses, has been up and down this thawful winter. So have the skaters, depending on their skill. But they reappear every time the ice does.

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CHARIOT-RACE style is one way of adding excitement to riding the hill at Clapp Park. According to reliable sources, the standee didn't make it to the bottom.

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Birth of a Craze?

FEB 17 1973



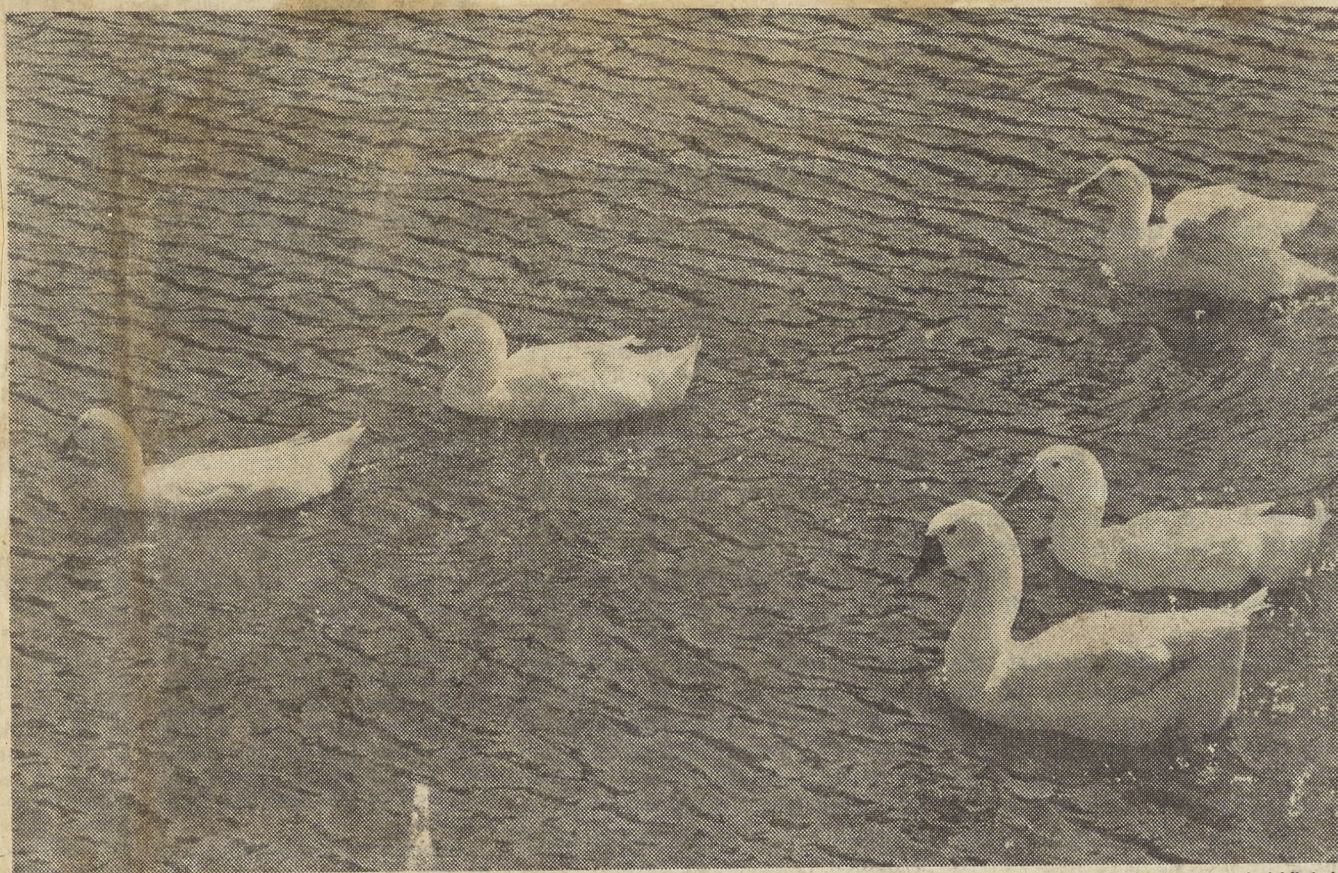
Now that the nationwide effort to see how many people you can get into a Volks or a telephone booth has subsided, maybe these inventive tads will start something. Names and site are withheld to protect the guilty.

OCT 18 1973 Zoo closes for season

Vincent J. Hebert, superintendent of parks and recreation, said yesterday the Children's Zoo in Springside Park has officially closed for the season and the animals have been transported to their winter quarters in Forest Park or Look Park.

The zoo, which is open each year from early April through October, this season drew approximately 20,000 visitors. Hebert commented that, in contrast to last year, there was very little vandalism.

The Children's Zoo will be open again next April.



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Spring swim

The ducks on the pond formed by the river on upper Wahconah Street have been returned here after wintering at the Preston Beckwith farm in Washington. The waterfowl are an overflow from flock kept at Springside Park during the summer.

Joel Librizzi

APR 18 1973 Children's Zoo open for season

The Children's Zoo in Springside Park is open for the season, the Department of Parks and Recreation said today.

Hours daily are 10 a.m. to dusk.

The department said most of the zoo population from last season is back, with a few missing animals scheduled to be brought in shortly. The zoo population includes two deer, two goats, two peacocks, five rabbits, pheasant, quail, partridge, one fox, one skunk, two piglets and two turkeys.

Lonely duck

To the Editor of THE EAGLE:—

Recently, I had occasion to visit the Park Department's Children's Zoo on upper North Street and to my surprise I found a cute little duck in one of the cages.

This single duckling appeared very lonely and morose in his solitude, and I understood, being aware that ducks are flock animals. So I went to the Agway store on East Street and ordered three ducks. (I had to order three, the man told me, because ducks are flock animals).

The next day I called Mr. Hebert and offered to donate these ducks so that there would be four in a family and my motherly instincts would be allayed. His secretary said she would return my call with Mr. Hebert's answer.

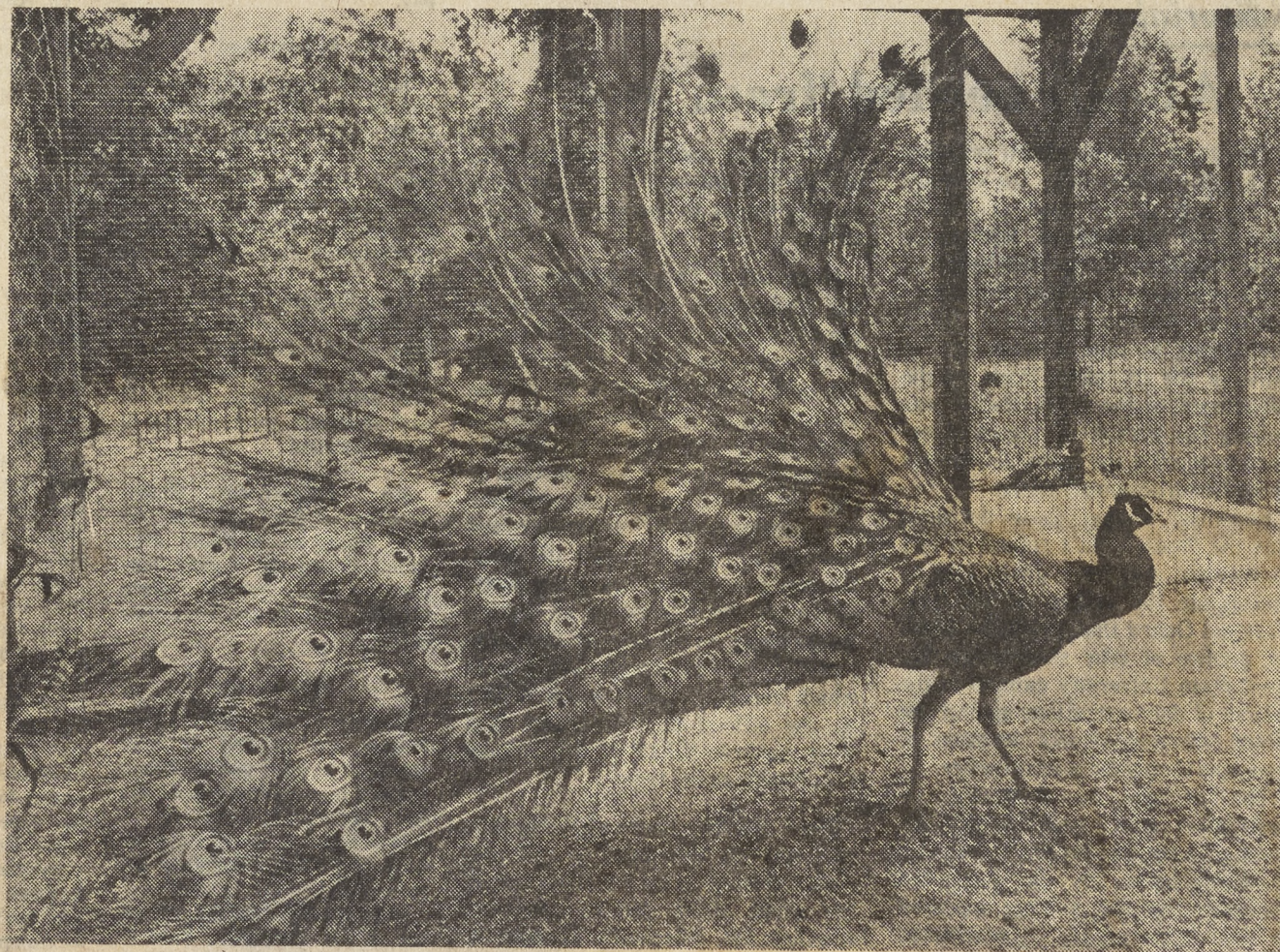
Mr. Hebert refused my offer and it is this refusal that has prompted this letter. The reason he refused was that he didn't have the facilities for more ducks. If one opens a car-repair service he had best know of automobile workings. So, too, a zoo. My thinking is that Mr. Hebert is not only ignorant of the natural habits of his animals but unconsciously malicious. It isn't every day a concerned citizen offers to donate something which would benefit this city, without political overtones of compromise.

I just hated to see that duck alone. And that was the only reason for my offer which now lies in ashes on the porch of Springside House, a few scant feet from a morally depressed and spiritually debased, sad, lonely, yellow duck.

SHARON CLANCY

Albany Road
Pittsfield

JUN 7 1973



JUN 21 1973

TEASING the viewer with a partial spread of its colorful tail is a peacock at the Springside Zoo. One of a pair, the peacock has been at the zoo for three summers. Park officials say that the fowl, or rather, in this world where everyone has a gimmick, its tail, is one of the zoo's most popular exhibits.

Joel Librizzi

